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Your Duty At Polls To-Day:

Vote Congress & Veto Slavery

It's up to Bombay to complete the picture of Congress victories achieved in Assam, Orissa Bihar and U. P
"The thundering cry of freedom reverberates through the whole of Hindustan. What echo does that find in your hearts? India awaits your brave response. Answer it at the polls" says Pt. Jawaharlal.
The City of Bombay is on trial, says Sardar, but is confident that Congress will come out triumphant at to-day's polls

PT. JAWAHARLAL IN BOMBAY

According to a Telephone message received late on Tuesday night by the "Chronicle", Pt. Jawaharlal will be arriving to-day in Bombay by the Madras Mail at 6 a.m. and will leave for Allahabad by the Allahabad Express.

FOR CONGRESS CABINET MEETING

Five Non-Members Invited

ALLAHABAD, Feb. 16.

The Congress President has invited the following five non-members to attend the forthcoming Working Committee meeting at Wardha:—

Shrimati Rukmani Lakshmipathi. Mr. Jayaprakash Narain. Mr. Rafi Ahmed Kidwai. Kumari Mridula Ambalal Sarabhai and Mr. C Rajagopalachariar.—United Press.

Pt. Jawaharlal Nehru visited Belgaum on Saturday last. The above is a flashlight picture at tea-table. From left to right:—Dr. N. S. Hardikar, Mr. Nanasaheb Kale, President Belgaum Municipality and Pt. Jawaharlal.

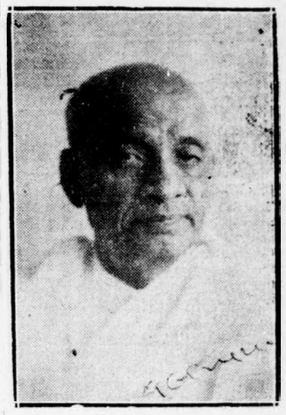
BAKHLE FOR TOKYO?

I. N. T. U. Federation's Delegate To Asiatic Labour Conference

(From Our Correspondent)

NEW DELHI, Feb. 16.

Asiatic Labour Conference will be held at Tokyo on 17th, 18th and 19th May and Indian National Trades Union Federation is proposing sending Mr. R. R. Bhakhle, General Secretary of the Federation as one of Federation's representatives.



Sardar Patel

Line Up With The Congress

President's Clarion Call To Bombay Voters

Away With Reaction And Enemies Of Freedom

BELAPUR ROAD, Feb. 16.

"India awaits your own brave response and knows full well what it will be.

"Away with reaction and the enemies of freedom.
"Line up with the Congress, line up.
"Line up and let us all march together to Swaraj.
"Who dares to ignore this call."

TO BOMBAY VOTERS

Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru, President of the Indian National Congress sends this clarion call to the voters of Bombay, Maharashtra, Gujerat, Karnatak, Andhra, Tamil Nad and Kerala through a statement issued to the "United Press" to vote for the Congress candidates and prepare for the "Pilgrimage to Swaraj."

Says the Congress President further: "I go back to the North at the end of my long journey. I go back to prepare the Congress pilgrimage to Swaraj of which this has been but a step.

Answer It At Polls

"I brought the message of the Congress to the South and the West. But you have heard now that message, not only through my feeble voice, but from the numberless millions of the North, who have rallied to the Congress call and their thundering cry for freedom reverberates through the broad plains and valleys of Hindusthan. What echo does that find in your hearts? Answer it at the polls."—United Press.

Silhouette Competition

Closing Date

TO-DAY, 17th FEBRUARY,

Entry Coupons will be available from "Bombay Chronicle" Sunday Edition of 14th February.

CONGRESS ARRANGEMENTS COMPLETE FOR POLLING

10,000 Volunteers And A Caravan Of Moving Cars Will Help Voters To Do Their Duty To Nation

(FROM OUR SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT).

Over two million voters in the Presidency of Bombay are expected to go to the polls to-day between the hours of 8 in the morning and 6 in the evening to elect their representatives to the Bombay Legislative Assembly, which is to be inaugurated under the Government of India Act, 1935. The Election Campaign, which was carried on by the different candidates, concluded on Tuesday evening, and the voters will decide to-day as to who shall represent them in the Legislature.

The Congress is fighting the elections on a definite issue, namely, Freedom. From the City of Bombay and the Suburbs 3,02,099 people are expected to go to the polls to elect nine representatives from three constituencies. Out of these two seats have been reserved for the Scheduled castes, and one for Marathas. The Congress has put up 9 candidates for those seats, while fourteen others are contesting from the three different Wards.

10,000 CONGRESS VOLUNTEERS.

There are 49 polling booths spread over the City and the Suburbs, 39 of them are situated in the City itself. Wednesday having been declared both a public and bank holiday, voters will not find it difficult to reach the polling-booths to cast their votes.

The Congress, which is the only organisation in the City which has been carrying on City-wide propaganda, and has organised hundreds of meetings, distributed millions of leaflets instructing the voters as to their duty on the polling day, has made very good arrangements to see that not a single voter fails to exercise his franchise.

FLEET OF MOVING CARS.

Nearly ten thousand volunteers have been enrolled by the Congress and all of them will be on duty at the different polling-booths, Congress election offices, etc., to see that all facilities are given to the voters. The voter, whether he wants to vote for the Congress candidates or not, should not fail to take advantage of the information that will be supplied by the Congress volunteers and which information is very essential.

There will be a thousand cars in the streets of Bombay since early hours of the morning to convey the voters to the different polling-booths. The arrangements made are so unique that it will be impossible for a voter to miss going to his proper booth and exercising his franchise. Like the B. E. S. T. Bus service, the cars will be constantly going round a particular route. The voters should get into these cars and they will be taken to the particular booth where he is to cast his vote. In case he finds that he does not know his number in the Electoral Roll, or he has a doubt as to whether he is a voter or not, he should immediately get into the Congress car. He will be taken to one of the Congress Election Offices where volunteers will help him to find his name in the Roll. After getting his name, the voter will be conveyed to the particular polling booth where he is entitled to cast his vote. There he can get his ballot paper and vote for the three Congress candidates. This arrangement does not apply to any particular Ward. It is made all over the City and no voter, even if he wants to miss it, can avoid being taken to the polling-booth.

CITIZENS' DUTY TO-DAY.

The last appeal to the people of Bombay to do their duty towards the Indian National Congress was made at Chaupatty by Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel and Mrs. Sarojini Naidu. Besides, several lorries, in which Loudspeakers were installed, went round the whole length and breadth of the City telling the people to do their duty on Wednesday.

The position as could be ascertained on the eve of polling shows that all the nine Congress candidates will come out victorious, even if 75 per cent. of the voters go to the polls. The greatest danger is the indifference that might be exhibited by the voters. If all the voters go to the polls Bombay will be able to emulate the example of the United Provinces where most of the opponents of the Congress forfeited their securities.

If Bombay voters go to the polls in their thousands, considering it as a part of their duty, then success of the Congress is a hundred per cent. certainty.

TO-DAY'S MOTTO.
BOMBAY! SWELL THE POLLS TO-DAY!

ALL CITY VOTERS TO NOTE

The following are the Congress candidates you have to vote for to-day (Wednesday).

A. B. C. & D. Wards:

	Symbols.
1. K. F. Nariman.	Tiger.
2. Nagindas T. Master.	Ship.
3. S. K. Patil.	Plough.

E & F Wards:

1. Dr. M. D. D. Gilder.	Scales.
2. Jinabhai P. Joshi.	Plough.
3. P. Baloo.	Engine.

G Ward And Suburban District

1. B. G. Kher.	Hand.
2. D. N. Wandrekar.	Tree.
3. S. G. Songaonkar.	Ship.

Each voter has three votes and the Congress wants every voter to give one vote to each of the three candidates for the respective constituency.

FASCISTS' NEXT MOVE

ROME, Feb. 16.

The Fascist Grand Council has been convoked for March 1 "to examine military situation in the light of existing necessities."

The Convocation is unofficially regarded as a reply to British and French rearmament plans. The Council will also hear the report on the anxious situation arising from the continued fall of birth-rate.—Reuter.

Divide Your Votes Equally

How To Ensure Victory Of Congress

SARDAR'S CALL TO CITY VOTERS

Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel, President of the All-India Congress Parliamentary Committee, has issued the following appeal to Bombay voters on the eve of the election in the Bombay and Suburbs General Constituencies:—

City On Trial

The City of Bombay is on trial. There is tremendous general sympathy for the Congress and although there are cent. per cent. chances for Congress victory, it is necessary to guard against one or two likely dangers.

No Favouritism

It must be remembered that in the plural constituencies in which the Congress has to fight individual opponents who can easily take advantage of our indifference, overconfidence or unequal division of votes, all efforts must be made to see that all those who have a right to vote and who are likely to vote for the Congress are brought to the polls, and still greater efforts should be made to see that amongst Congress candidates in various constituencies there is no favouritism in the form of unequal division of votes.

Equal Division

Congressmen and those who sympathise with the Congress are earnestly requested to distribute their votes equally by giving one vote to each of the Congress candidates, so that there may be no danger and uncertainty or unnecessarily injuring the position of any of the Congress candidates.

If we take proper care to guard against these two dangers, there is absolutely no doubt that Congress will capture all seats in Bombay without any difficulty. Any Congress worker or any Congress sympathiser attempting to secure preferential support for any Congress candidate will be serving the enemy's cause and candidates are particularly requested to resist all temptations of securing their own position in a manner which is detrimental to the cause of the Congress as a whole.

ALL ARE EQUAL.

It must be remembered that all candidates from the point of view of Congress, are equal and any failure of any one of the candidates on any grounds whatsoever will be a failure of the Congress to that extent. Individual merits are of no account. It is the success of the Congress as a whole that is of paramount importance. Let Bombay rise to the occasion and publicly demonstrate that it cannot be beaten by any manoeuvres or by creation of any difficulties in the method of elections. Let us not forget the mistake made by us at the time of the last Assembly elections.

SPECIAL RESPONSIBILITY.

Congressmen have a special responsibility to see that the interests of no Harijan candidate adopted by the Congress are sacrificed by giving undue preference to non-Harijan candidates.

Any such action on our part will not only result in endangering the full success of the Congress, but is also likely to discredit the Congressmen in Bombay. Congressmen will be charged with exploiting the weak whose interests we are bound to protect. All voters, therefore, in "E" and "F" Wards Constituency and also in "G" Ward and Suburbs constituency are earnestly requested that each one of them must give one of their votes to the Congress Harijan candidate as a matter of duty. Mr. P. Baloo and Mr. Songaonkar are the official Congress Harijan candidates for these two constituencies.

If these instructions are faithfully carried out Congress is sure to come out triumphant at these elections.

How?

To reach larger number of people at less cost

THE BEST WAY

When you buy or sell something is to insert a short advertisement in the Tabulated Adlets Column of the "Chronicle".

TABULATED ADLETS

Low-Cost Advertisements

INFORMATION

CLASSIFIED ADVERTISEMENTS under the heading "Automobile", "Bicycles and Motorcycles", "Books and Magazines", "Cameras and Optical Goods," "Dressemaking", "Employment Agencies", "Educational", "Household Furnishings", "Jewellery", "Machinery and Equipment", "Musical Instrument", "Miscellaneous", "Patents", "Radio", "Real Estate", "Situation Vacant", "To Rent", "Travel", "Typewriter", "Wanted Items", etc. are inserted at the rate of ONE ANNA per word and the minimum charge being Re. 1 for 16 words. When special heading is desired Annas four extra will be charged per line.

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Once in a week ..... Full rate
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NAME AND ADDRESS: Every bonafide advertisement should bear the name and address of the advertiser in spite of not being necessary for publication.

HOW TO SEND REPLIES: Replies to advertisements should be addressed carefully as follows: "Advt. Box No....., "The Bombay Chronicle", Red Building, Parsi Bazar Street, Fort, Bombay. To prevent mistakes and to avoid misdelivery the Box No. ..... should be written very distinctly and as the specimen shown above.

BOX NO. When Box No. is given to the advertisements of private nature the six words "Box No..... "The Bombay Chronicle" will be charged for.

REDIRECTING REPLIES: For redirecting replies to our Mofussil advertisers no extra charge is made.

LOCAL ADVERTISERS: Can collect replies addressed to their Box No..... by producing Cash Receipt at the "Bombay Chronicle" office during working hours, between 11 a.m. to 6 p.m.

RESERVED RIGHTS: The management reserves the right to revise any advertisement or refuse publication without assigning any reason for doing so.

UNCLAIMED REPLIES: After 30 days all unclaimed replies will be destroyed.

LOSS IN TRANSIT: "The Chronicle" does not assume any responsibility for replies lost or mislaid in transit.

REPETITION IN "SENTINEL": Tabulated Adlets appearing in "The Chronicle" will be charged at half the price if inserted in the "Sentinel" same day.

To ensure prompt publication of your Tabulated Adlets, cash payment strictly in advance is necessary.

8. MATRIMONIAL.

Wanted educated cultured Bania youth for Bania girl aged 18, of Rich Family. Apply Box No. 7735, "Bombay Chronicle."

9. SITUATIONS VACANT.

Wanted qualified and Experienced Nurses (B. P. N. A.) for Sir Waghji Hospital. Apply with copies of testimonials to Dr. D. C. Oza, M.B., B.S., Chief Medical Officer, Morvi. (4839)

Wanted a qualified nurse and midwife. Apply with testimonials to the Chief Medical Officer, Palanpur State. (7769).

Wanted an experienced, temporary typist. See personally, Manager, Bombay Motors, Ltd., 33, New Queens Road, Bombay. (7767).

Wanted—Capable men to keep stock and push sale of Tea (packed and loose) on a fixed salary. Only experienced persons in the line need apply to Box 2500 "Bombay Chronicle".

Wanted—A Full-Trained Nurse with at least three year's experience for a Mills Hospital in Ahmedabad. Apply Box No. 2501, "Bombay Chronicle".

9. SITUATIONS VACANT.

Wanted Young and Energetic actors and actresses knowing Tamil and well-versed in music to act in Tamil Talkie pictures. Apply with photos. Also Tamil Author who can compose songs and write crisp Dialogue. Apply Box No. 2502, "Bombay Chronicle".

Wanted—Immediately one fair-looking Anglo-Indian or Mahomedan Mistress to coach one minor girl. Knowledge of embroidery is essential. Apply stating pay, age and qualification to Box No. 2503, "Bombay Chronicle".

Wanted a B.Com. as an assistant in Cotton business, should be able to read and write Gujerathi. Persons with previous experience in cotton line will be given preference, salary according to qualifications and experience. Three months Probation. Apply with details about qualifications and copies of testimonials, stating salary expected to Box No. 7772, "Bombay Chronicle".

Please report any misrepresentations or request for cash bonds, deposit or investment for samples or service not stated in the advertisement to the "Chronicle." Telephone No. 22037.

Wanted Experienced Branch Managers, at Hubli, Satara, Sangli, Nagpur for forward business, 7 Cotton Selectors, 5 Fast Stenographers and Filing Clerks for Bank, two Machinery Salesmen. Apply Secretary, "Glic", Kirtee Building, Forbes Street, Bombay, before Saturday. (7775).

Wanted energetic canvassers to book orders for Hosiery and Cloth. Pay Rs. 150 with extra allowances and bonuses. Apply with 1-stamp to The Gupta Hosiery Mills, Ludhiana. (7771).

Send "Chronicle" to your friends

Wanted—A Research Assistant for the scheme of investigations on "Cereal Rusts" up to the end of March, 1938. Salary Rs. 200 per mensem. Only persons holding a Doctor's degree in Mycology are eligible. Preference will be given to the candidate who is familiar with recent work on "Cereal Rusts". Apply Box No. 2504, "Bombay Chronicle".

Wanted a lady teacher, knowing Gujarati with high academic qualifications for the Sarvajanik High School for Girls, Surat. The scale of salary is 150—10—250. One with previous experience and high qualifications may be given a higher start than the minimum within the scale. Apply before 1st March, 1937, stating age, qualifications and teaching and administrative experience to the Hon. Secretary, S. E. Society, Surat. (4604).

10. SITUATIONS WANTED.

Sound commercial business experience, highly trained, certificate and diploma holder. Thorough knowledge of Book-keeping and Accountancy and Typewriting. Full energetic, aged 30. Thorough experience of business agency. Also expert in survey, settlement, kanungoship, revenue, company accountant and auditors, assistant manager work, and inspector of agencies. Fully capable of controlling office staff and labour force faithfully, is desirous of obtaining reliable appointment in limited company or firms on decent salary. Please apply to Box No. 2507, "Bombay Chronicle".

TO ALL THOSE WHO ARE UNEMPLOYED.

"Chronicle" in order to assist all those who are without employment requiring full time or part-time positions, offers to insert an advertisement in the Tabulated adlets columns. Free of Charge provided the unemployed is married, has been out of job for one full year, and has experience at anyone trade or profession for five continuous years. Only three names will be accepted for free advertisement in any one class of work.

The management reserves the right to revise or refuse any advertisement without assigning any reason for doing so.

13. SHOPS & ROOMS TO LET

To Let—Excellent situation, eminently fitted for Shop which was lately occupied by Marcks & Co., now by Hoar & Co. at Esplanade Road from 1st April 1937. Apply Secretary Haji Zenal Abedin Shirazi Trust, 95, Ash Lane, Fort. 7755.

To Let—Shops and rooms in Shri Hari Nivas at Gowalia Tank, in Mathuradas Bhuvan at Khetwadi Back Road in Shri Hari Sadan, near Prarthana Samaj Charni Road and in Shanti Bhuvan, at Barbhai Mohella. Apply to Purshottam Govindjee, 62-66, Vithalwadi. Telephone No. 23518. (7773).

PLOT & PREMISES FOR SALE.

For Sale: A plot of about 900 square yards in Bulsar, situated in a very good locality and central part of the town, very near to the main Bazaar and Railway Station with a structure. This plot would enable those who wish to make a sound investment to build up a building to fetch 7 to 8 per cent interest of his investment. For detail, particulars please write to:—Personal Assistant to His Highness Maharajah Saheb of Dharampur, Dharampur Dist. Surat or Banoo Grange, Nepean Sea Road, Bombay No. 6. (4396)

For Sale: A well situated plot of about 3,000 square yards free hold at Tithal Via Bulsar (B. B. C. I. Railway) facing open sea is for sale. The plot affords sufficient space to build a palatial bungalow with ample out-houses and to have a garden, which would prove to be a sound investment. Tithal is only 4 miles from Bulsar having a good motorable road. For detail, particulars please apply to:—Personal Assistant to His Highness The Maharajah Saheb of Dharampur, Banoo Grange Nepean Sea Road, Bombay. (4895).

MOTOR VEHICLE FOR SALE

A 7-Seater Nash Car in perfect order. New Accumulator and all tyres in perfect condition. Apply: Box No. 2506, "Bombay Chronicle".

MACHINERY FOR SALE

For Sale—Ari Bharat and Sewing Machines also one cutting Table. See K. B. Master, 39, Chhipichal. (7766).

LIVE STOCK FOR SALE

For Sale. Three Lion Cubs, aged 3 months. Excellent health, pure breed. Apply with offer to:—Khasgi Officer, Rewa. (2505).

56. EDUCATIONAL.

For Expert Individual Training in Shorthand, Typewriting, Bookkeeping, Accountancy; Join Kalkadevi Shorthand Typewriting Institution Established 1898 by Gopaldas Laldas, Princess Street Corner, Kalkadevi Road. (7710)

73 AGENTS WANTED

Wanted Travelling Agents on salary Rs. 75 plus 50 T.A. to push the sales of cloth and hosiery. Apply sharp with one anna postal stamp to:—Dwarkadas Brijmohandas, Cloth and Hosiery Manufacturers. Phillaur Dt. Jullundur. (7770).

154. MISCELLANEOUS FOR SALE.

For Sale—Strongly built house in high class Hindu locality in Saggarampura valued ten thousand and another old house valued three thousand. Apply Box No. 4884 "Bombay Chronicle."

For Sale—A Cocoanut Oil Mill in Ceylon, for particulars, apply to The Edible Cocoanut Oil Co.; Ward Street, Kandy, Ceylon. (7701)

Public Notices.

GOVERNMENT Announcements, Legal and Public Notifications are published in these columns at the following rates:—

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Mofussil Advertisers are requested to send remittances in advance and state clearly whether they wish to insert their advertisements in these columns or in the Classified.

NOTICE

By mutual agreement, Mr. V. K. DHRUVA has retired from our firm with effect from 1st February, 1937.

DHRUVA DESAI & CO.
Bombay, 16|2|1937. 7774.

IMPERIAL BANK OF INDIA.

The Bank will be CLOSED on MONDAY, the 22nd instant, that day being a Public Holiday (BAKRI-ID) under the Negotiable Instruments Act, 1881.

A. McCULLOCH,
Secretary & Treasurer.
Bombay, 12th February, 1937 4880.

THE KARACHI ELECTRIC SUPPLY CORPORATION, LTD.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Register of Members and the Transfer Books of this Company will be CLOSED from the 26th February, 1937, to the 18th March 1937, both days inclusive.

Karachi, 13th February, 1937.
By Order of the Board.
THE UNITED EASTERN AGENCIES, LTD.,
Managing Agents. 4,900.

THE KOHINOOR MILLS COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the FORTY-SECOND ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the Shareholders of the Kohinoor Mills Company, Limited, will be held on THURSDAY, the 4th March 1937, at 4-30 p.m., (Standard Time), at the Registered Office of the Company, Home Street, Fort, Bombay, to transact the following business:—

1.—To adopt the Directors' Report and the Audited Statement of Accounts made up to 31st December, 1936.
2.—To declare a dividend.
3.—To elect Directors in the place of Mr. H. A. H. Payne, Mr. Shantidas Askuran and Mr. Pransukhlal Mafatlal, who retire by rotation, and being eligible offer themselves for re-election.
4.—To elect as a Director Mr. R. C. Giles whose term of Office expires under Article 99 of the Company's Articles of Association, but being eligible offers himself for re-election.
5.—To appoint an Auditor or Auditors for the current year and to fix his or their remuneration.
6.—To Transact any other business that may be brought forward by the Chairman.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 22nd February to 3rd March 1937 both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board
KILLICK NIXON & CO.,
Agents.
Bombay, 10th February, 1937 4902

Auction Sales

GANDHI & CO.
Telephone No. 24927.

AUCTION SALE OF ALUMINIUM, BRASS, BRONZE COPPER, LEAD, WHITE METAL AND ZINC SCRAP AT G. I. P. RAILWAY MECHANICAL STORES, PAREL.

Messrs. GANDHI & CO., Auctioneers will, under instructions from the Controller of Stores, G. I. P. Railway (Bombay) sell by Public Auction on Friday the 19th day of February 1937 at 2-30 p.m. (S.T.) at Mechanical Stores, Parel, a large lot of Non Ferrous scrap including:—

Aluminium scrap, Bell metal scrap, Brass scrap including Borings and Ingots, Bronze scrap, Copper scrap including borings, strips, tubes, cutpieces, utensils tanks with brass and iron fittings, pipes with brass flanges, Gunmetal scrap usable, Lead scrap battery with dust, White metal scrap including mushroom shape ingots, square shape ingots, borings and Zinc scrap, etc.

Terms:—A Deposit of 10 per cent. in Cash.

GANDHI & CO.

Auction Sales

CRAWFORD & CO.

AUCTION SALE OF KHADA LAND AT GHATKOPAR.

SALE WILL BE HELD AT BOMBAY.

Under instructions from the Official Assignee of Bombay and assignee of the estate and effects of the Insolvent Damji Shamji and with the consent of the Mortgagees Messrs. Tokersey Mulji and Co. Messrs. Crawford and Co., Auctioneers, will sell by public auction on Tuesday 2nd March, 1937 at 4-0 p.m. (S.T.) at their rooms at 122, Apollo Street, Fort, Bombay, the right, title, and interest of the said Insolvent and the Mortgagees in the undermentioned property.

DESCRIPTION OF THE PROPERTY.

All that piece or parcel of Khada land or ground situate lying and being at GhatKopar in South Salsette Taluka Bombay Suburban District in the Registration Sub-District Bandra containing by admeasurement 4318 sq. yards or thereabouts bearing Survey No. 175 (part of) (Khada land) the assessment in respect whereof is nil per year and bounded on or towards the East partly by Survey No. 173/16 and partly by a road, on or towards the West by Survey Nos. 173/13 and 173 E, on or towards the North by Survey Nos. 173/19 and 173/20 and on or towards the South by G. I. P. Railway Line.

For further particulars and conditions of sale, please apply to Messrs. Ardeshir Hormusji Dinshaw & Co., Solicitors, at their office at 113, Esplanade Road, Fort, Bombay, or to the undersigned.

CRAWFORD & CO.,
Govt. Auctioneers.

Specially for those who were denied the pleasure of enjoying this masterpiece by the last Communal disturbances which had deprived this city of its gaiety and liveliness....

PRABHAT'S & INDIA'S 1st Sea Picture

AMAR JYOTI
AMAR JYOTI
AMAP JYOTI
to be revived at

MINERVA
Talkies: Lamington Road.
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SATURDAY THE 20TH FEB. '37
a picture which is praised everywhere by one and all....
Make a note to enjoy this super production with your family.....
at
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in the next week

INDIA'S ONLY TALKIE PICTURE
which is drawing "OPENING WEEK" crowds in its 5TH WEEK of both its versions being shown—simultaneously at 2 theatres in this city.

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(BAGLA BHAKTA)
Huns Pictures 2nd Social in its **5TH TRIUMPHANT WEEK**
Simultaneously at
MAJESTIC
(MARATHI)
and
WELLINGTON
(HINDI)
Daily at 5-15, 8 and 10-45 p.m.
Matinee TO-DAY and on Sat., Sun. and Holidays at 2-30 p.m.

PLAZA
WEDNESDAY TO FRIDAY.
To-night 3-30; 6-30 & 10 P. M.
REMAINING PARTS OF THE MYSTERIOUS DETECTIVE SERIAL
"CLUTCHING HAND"
A Craig Kennedy Thriller.

Your Favourite Picture Palace
GLOBE TALKIES
(Now under new Management)
has undergone thorough renovation and will reopen in grand style
NEXT SATURDAY
with
Saroj Movietone's Mammoth drama of Roman days
IMAN-FAROSH
Starring:
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NEXT SATURDAY GRAND OPENING
GLOBE TALKIES
SANDHURST RD.

The Picture portraying vividly the greatness of Indian Womanhood
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Musical Social of Modern India now drawing crowded houses
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TALKIES: :QUEEN'S ROAD.
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Fail not to enjoy this picture
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Bombay Programme

VUB 350.9 metres, 855 kc/s.

8-0 a.m. Violin Solo A V.U.B. Violinist. 8-15 a.m. "Light Lyrics." Indumati Gupte. "Nahi Manichhaus", "Lyric." Sopandev Chaudhari. "Pratiksha", "Lyric." Indumati Gupte. "Guni Bal Asa," "Lyric" Sopandev Chaudhari. "Niputrika," "Lyric" (Recorded). 8-30 a.m. Exposition of the Gathas. Ervad Framroz A. Bode. 8-45 a.m. Light Music. Vinayakrao Harshe. Ramkali Khayal. "Aja Radhey Tore." (Jhumra"). Ramkali Titala. "Hoon to Barabara Gayi." "Jo Sukhahota Gopala Ke Gunagaye" ("Kerva"). "Pahadi Gazal." "Hi Samaja Tava Kutila-Chaturevi" "Bhairavi (Marathi). 1-0 p.m. Market Rates and Announcements. Jules Craen and his Quintet. 5-30 p.m. Indian Music. 6-30 p.m. Powadas. "Panhalgadacha Vedha." (A Recorded Programme). 7-0 Talk (Marathi) "Prachin Striya." By Manju Mantri. 7-15 Instrumental Duets Piano—Violin—Khammaj. A V.U.B Combination. 7-30 p.m. "Membrai ka Ummeedwar." (A Hindustani play.) Presented by the Author Professor Waquif. 8-30 p.m. Commercial News and the News in Hindi. 9-0 Talk (English): "For Your Bookshelf." By "Bookman." 9-15 p.m. The News. 9-30. p.m. A Studio Concert.

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(TIME: P.M.)

12-36 SB Musical Selections. By The Grand Hotel Orchestra. Relayed from the Palm Court. 1-16 SB Talk (English): "The Children's Court" By a Lady Magistrate: Mrs. Mrigendralal Mitra. Calcutta Weather Bulletin for Ocean and Rivercraft. 1-36 Bhajan. Anil Bagchi. 1-51 Kirtan. Kanakiata Ghose. 2-6 Modern Bengali Song. Sudhira Sengupta. 2-16 Banjo Solo. Ardhendu Bose. 2-26 Modern Bengali Song. Ashu Mullick. 2-36 Flute. Chandra Madhab Goswami. 2-43 Sitar Solo. Grojeswar Goswami. 2-51 Talk: "The Development of Radio in India." By Bishnu Sharma. 3-6 A Broadcast for Rural Areas. 3-36. "Kalahantarita." Pala Kirtan. 6-36 Islam Sangit. Abbasuddin Ahmed. 6-51 Modern Bengali Song. Kumari Amiya Sarkar. 7-6 Thumri (Hindustani). Rathin Chatterjee. 7-26 Tagore Song. Satee Debi. 7-46 Khayal (Bhopali.) Maya Debi. 8-6 SB Talk: "Law for Laymen." No. 4 by Jatin Dutt. 8-21 SB Bhajan and Modern Bengali Songs. Binapani. 8-41 SB Commercial News and Weather Report (in Bengali). 8-46 SB The News and Announcements 9 1 SB Commercial News and Weather Report (in English). 9-6 SB The News and Announcements. 9-21 SB Musical Interlude. 9-36 "Mr. Hacket's Prize." A comedy sketch. 9-51 SB A Chopin Pianoforte Recital 10-6 SB "Object All Sublime." A Dramatic Episode. 10-21 SB Dance Music.

Delhi Programmes

VUD 340.13 metres, 882 kc/s.

8-0 a.m. Indian Music (Recorded). 9-0 a.m. Talk (Hindustani): "India's Wealth." No. 1. Medicinal Plants. By Dr. A. Aziz. Herbs with miraculous medicinal properties abound in popular Indian Tales and Legends. In this talk Dr. Aziz of the Department of Chemistry of the Muslim University, Aligarh, who is at present engaged in research work on Medicinal Plants. will approach the subject from a scientific point of view. 9-15 a.m. Kamla (Jharia). Classical and Light Music. 9-50 a.m. Asad Ali Khan. "Hun to tore karan jogi." "Khayal Deshkar. "Dil chhina nighben chura kar chala." "Dadra Bhairvin." 10-20 a.m. Pandit Brij Bhushan Joshi. "Bhajan."

1-0 p.m. "Popular Classics." (A Recorded Programme). 2-0 AIR Orchestra. "Barwa." 2-10 p.m. Pandit Brij Bhushan Joshi. "Bhajan Bhim Plasi." "Geet." 2-30 p.m. Asad Ali Khan. 2-40 p.m. Kamla (Jharia). Light Music. 5-0 p.m. 1st News and Weather Report (English). 5-10 p.m. 1st News and Weather Report (Hindustani). 5-20 p.m. AIR Orchestra. "Hans Narayan." 5-30 p.m. Pandit Brij Bhushan Joshi. "Khayal and Bhajans." 5-50 p.m. Kedara On Sitar. 6-0 p.m. Asad Ali Khan. "Hazrat turkman." "Khayal Darbari." "Duniya se kia gharaz mujhe duniya kahin rahe, Bas astan-i-dost peh apni jabin rahe." "A gai kaun se hasrat dil-i-sozan ke quarib." Kuchhh dhuan sa abhi utha tha giriban ka qarib." ("Jigar"). 6-30 p.m. Nautch Gat. 6-45 p.m. Kamla (Jharia). "Light Music." 7-0 p.m. "For Villagers Only." (Time Signal and Delhi Market Rates at 7-30 p.m.). 8-0 p.m. Talk (Hindustani): "People and Things." No. 3. By Abdul Majeed Khan Salik. 8-15 p.m. AIR Orchestra. "Shahana Kandra." 8-30

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Miss Leela Row (left) who beat Miss Wood Bridge, right) (6-1, 6-4) in the Ladies Singles Finals

THIL RETAINS WORLD MIDDLE-WEIGHT TITLE

PARIS, February 16.

In a fifteen round bout for the World's Middle-weight Championship, Marcel Thil, the holder, beat Lou Brouillard, the French-Canadian, the latter being disqualified in the sixth round for, it is alleged, a four blow.

Jack Doyle knocked out the

JACK DOYLE

Dutch Champion, Harry Staal, in the sixth round, to-day at London.

Dave Crowley won on points against Jimmy Walsh in a ten round contest. The latter's title was not at stake.—Reuter.

STRIKE IN 56 TAMBA-KANTA SHOPS

Pydhoni Shop-owners Refuse Reply To Increase Demand

A mass meeting of the Gold and Silver workers was held in Bombay under the auspices of their union at 9 p.m. on Sunday last at Hirabag when it was resolved to declare a strike in the 56 shops at Tamba Kanta Pydhoni as the owners had refused to reply to the notice for increase in the rates of their wages.

After the resolution was duly seconded Mr. Indulal Yajnik denounced the haughtness of the shopkeepers who had not the decency to reply to the notice demanding increase in the rates of wages by about 33 per cent.

A strike was the only weapon available to them when they were faced by a decrease in their wages while rents, food, and clothing cost them more every day. The President called for contributions towards the strike fund and volunteers to picket the shops at Pydhoni. A donation of Rs 51 was announced when the meeting dispersed.

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p.m. Asad Ali Khan. "Ali ri main jagi sagri rain." "Khayal Khambavati." 8-50 p.m. Kamla (Jharia) "Light Music." 9-15 p.m. 2nd News and Weather Report (Hindustani). 9-30 p.m. Time Signal. 2nd News and Weather Report (English). 9-45 p.m. Talk (English): "The Fight Against Kalazar." By L. Everard Napier, Professor of Tropical Medicine, School of Tropical Medicine, Calcutta. 10-0 p.m. "Old Time Medleys." (Recorded).

Mysore Programme

7 to 9 p.m. (i.) Karnatic Instrumental music. (ii) The Art of Think'ng—"Prejudice" by Dr. M. V. Gopalswami.

BARNETT HITS OUT CENTURY

M. C. C. 280 For 7 At Close Of Day's Play Against New South Wales

SYDNEY, February 16.

New South Wales were all out in their second innings for 246 runs, leaving M. C. C. with a deficit of 404 runs, 37 of which they liquidated by lunch for the loss of one wicket.

At the close of the play M. C. C. had made 280 for seven, Barnett having scored 117.

NEW SOUTH WALES (First Innings)

Fingleton, c Duckworth, b Worthington	60
Beattie, c Robins, b Farnes	5
Hynes, c Duckworth, b Farnes	0
McCabe, c Barnett, b Sims	93
Robinson, c Ames, b Copson	25
Jackson, c Worthington, b Copson	10
Lush, c Sims, b Farnes	5
Oldfield (not out)	30
Chilvers, c Duckworth, b Farnes	8
White, b Copson	0
Chipperfield (absent)	0
Extras	10
Total	246

M. C. C. (Second Innings)

Barnett b Hynes	117
Worthington, c and b Lush	6
Hardstaff c White b Lush	64
Wyatt c Robinson b Lush	11
Leyland c McCabe b Lush	1
Ames (not out)	44
Robins b Hynes	7
Sims l.-b.-w b Hynes	8
Duckworth (batting)	10
Extras	12
Total (for seven)	280

Reuter.

Volkart Bros.' Cheating Charge In Respect Of Rs. 94,500 Fails

Goculdas Nanjibhai Gandhi of Rajkot, who was charged with attempting to cheat Messrs. Volkart Bros. of a sum of Rs. 94,500 in respect of five insurance policies, was to-day ordered to be acquitted by the Chief Presidency Magistrate, Bombay.

The Magistrate held that the evidence recorded in the case entitled the accused to be given the benefit of the doubt.

In this case, it was stated that the accused took out five insurance policies through the Agents of the Insurance Companies in Bombay who were Messrs. Volkart Bros. The property insured included a library and valuable manuscripts.

Sometime in June last the Agents of Messrs. Volkart Bros. intimated that the accused's house in Rajkot had been destroyed by fire and that a claim had been lodged by the accused.

"SUSPICIOUS CIRCUMSTANCES."

Surveyors were sent to estimate the loss sustained by the accused and they reported that the circumstances under which the property insured had been destroyed appeared to them to be suspicious.

The Police were informed and as a result of their investigations, a prosecution was launched against the accused for attempting to cheat the company of Rs 94,500.

The Magistrate held that there was not sufficient evidence to establish the charge beyond reasonable doubt and ordered the acquittal of the accused.

Mr. Jabhwalla appeared for the prosecution. Mr. Kantilal Thakore defended the accused.

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AROUND THE COURTS

BOMBAY, Tuesday.

An inquest was held to-day on the body of P. Krishnarao Pandit (52), residing in New Bhatwadi, Girgaum.

The deceased was a Jahagirdar in the Kotah State. He was suffering from constipation and piles. He came down to Bombay on the 7th February for treatment.

On Sunday morning he went to the S. Philomena Nursing Home at Henry Road, Apollo Bunder, and the Doctors who had advised an operation, put him on the operation table. Injections of Novocain were given and after an hour he expired.

The inquest has been adjourned to the 18th February.

Ebrahim Bawla was arrested by the Dongri police on suspicion of having murdered his brother and caused hurt to an aged woman residing with him.

The alleged murder was committed in a room at Kambekar Street on Saturday. Umer Bawla was found dead in the room, his head having been battered with curry stone. An aged woman named Hawabai also lay in the room with injuries to her head.

The suspect is the elder brother of the deceased and, it is alleged, was residing with them till the day previous to the murder. He, it appears suddenly disappeared.

The police stated that although he did not go to his room since leaving it, he reported to the Lamington Road police that his brother had been murdered. He was thereupon arrested on suspicion.

An application for his remand into custody till March 2 was granted by the Magistrate at Mazagaon Court to-day.

Usman Haji Wali Mohamed and Usman Kassam Zaneri were arrested by the Pydhonie Police at about 12-45 p.m. on Saturday last for alleged acceptance of race bets at Chunam Lane.

Race betting chits, race books and cash were stated to have been found on their person.

They were released on bail and the Mazagaon Court. Magistrate, extended the bail period till March 2 next.

Sheikh Umar Gaffoor was arrested by Police at about 4-45 p.m. on Saturday last at the second enclosure of the Race Course for alleged receiving of rare bets.

The Presidency Magistrate, Second Additional Court, Mazagaon, ordered him to be released on bail of Rs. 300 and one surety in like amount, the surety to deposit Rs 25, in default the accused was to be remanded into Police custody till the 23rd instant.

The Pydhonie Police arrested on Saturday last at 12 noon Ismail Ibrahim Surti on a charge of accepting race bets at Old Burgalipura.

Chits bearing names of race horses and amounts were it is alleged, found on him.

He was enlarged on bail of Rs. 300 and one surety Rs. 25 to deposited in default to remanded to custody till March 2 next.

Vishram Balkrishna and Dhanjisha Ardeshir Bapoo, arrested by the Police on Saturday last in Jeriwalla chawl, Arthur Road for alleged accepting of race bets, were released on bail till the same date.

Two Charged With Impersonation At Assembly Elections

Two persons who are alleged to have impersonated voters at the election to the Bombay Legislative Assembly were placed before the Chief Presidency Magistrate, Bombay this morning.

The accused, "Suleman Ibrahim" and "Hassan Abdul Rahim," it was stated, presented two cards bearing Nos. 8136 and 3405 to the clerks at the Anjuman Ismail Building and asked for voting slips. It was discovered that these two persons were not the voters mentioned in the list and the names they gave were of voters who had already exercised their franchise.

The men were arrested and released on bail of Rs. 50 with one surety each.

The Magistrate ordered the extension of their bail period for a week to enable the police to make further enquiries.

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Bombay Legislative Assembly Elections: Public Holiday; Banks closed; Polling: City and Suburban general Constituency, 8 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Thursday, February 18.

Bombay, Legislative Assembly Elections: Election of a woman member by the voters of "D" Ward. Polling hours 8 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Friday, February 19.

Bombay Legislative Council Election: Counting of votes for all constituencies, 8 a.m.

Municipal Corporation, 3-40 p.m.

Saturday, February 20.

S. S. Viceroy of India with homeward mails sails at 1 p.m.

Bombay Races: Big Meeting, Last Day.

RECEPTION TO SANKARACHARYA

"His Holiness, the Sankaracharya, of Sharada Pith, Rajrajeshwarashram will be publicly honoured at Hira bag, today (Wednesday), at 6 p.m.

SANGAT SABHA

Prof. N. R. Phatak will deliver an address on "Upanishad and Mayawad" in the Prarthana Mandir, Girgaum today (Wednesday), at 6-30 p.m. All are cordially invited to attend.

B. P. ADULT EDUCATION ASSOCIATION

Professor Menezes will not meet his students in English Literature to-day (Wednesday), being a holiday.

Professor Miss S. Panandikar will meet her students in Education tomorrow (Thursday), at 6-30 p.m. in the Offices of the Association.

POSTAL NOTICES

Registered and Unregistered Mails for Mauritius and Reunion per Extra S.S. "Christian Huygens" via Madura, Colombo and Batavia will be accepted at the General Post Office upto 3 and 6-30 p.m. respectively on Saturday the 20th instant.

Regd. and unregd. Mails for Colombo, the Straits Settlements, Hongkong, Shanghai and Japan per S.S. "Ranchi" will be accepted at the General Post Office upto 5 and 6-30 p.m. respectively on Thursday the 18th instant.

AMUSEMENTS OF THE DAY

CAPITOL—"Smartest Girl in Town." Daily at 4, 6-30 and 10 p.m.

CENTRAL—"Tukaram". Daily at 5-15, 8 and 10-45 p.m.

EMPIRE—"Little Miss Nobody" Daily at 4, 6-30 and 10 p.m.

EXCELSIOR—"All In" Daily at 4, 6-30 and 10 p.m.

IMPERIAL—"Desh-Diwan." Daily at 5-15, 8 and 10-45 p.m.

MAJESTIC—"Dharmaveer" Daily at 5-15, 8 and 10-45 p.m.

MINERVA—"Dalit Kusum." Daily at 5-30, 8 and 10-45 p.m.

PATHE—"The Jungle Princess" Daily at 3-30, 6-30 and 10 p.m.

PLAZA—"Clutching Hand." Daily at 6-30 and 10 p.m.

REGAL—"Dishonour Bright". Daily at 4, 6-30 and 10 p.m.

ROXY—"Pratima". Daily at 5-15, 8-0 and 10-45 p.m.

ROYAL OPERA—"Izzat". Daily at 5-15, 8 and 10-30 p.m.

WELLINGTON—"Dharmaveer." Daily at 5-15, 8 and 10-45 p.m

STEAMER MOVEMENTS

The N.Y.K. Steamer "Calcutta Maru" left Colombo for Bombay on the 13th February and is due to arrive here on Wednesday afternoon the 17th February at 4-0 p.m.

Steamer Clan Macilwraith arrived Suez on Saturday morning February 13.

BOMBAY ASTROLOGICAL SOCIETY

Under the auspices of the Bombay Astrological Society Classes in Astrology will be started at the Saraswati Mandir near Kennedy Bridge from the 7th proximo. Persons desirous of joining should see the Secretary on Sundays between 4 and 6 p.m. at the above address and register their names.

UMPIRES COMMITTEE B.P.R.A. LTD

The Hon: Secy. Umpire Committee, B.P.R.A. Ltd. will be out of Bombay from 19th to 28th Feb. next, both days inclusive.

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Umpires are requested to make every effort to fulfil their appointments as notified so as to avoid confusion, and possible disappointment to players and Tournament authorities.

DNYAN—PRASARAK MANDALI

A public lecture in Gujarati will be delivered under the auspices of the above Society to-day (Wednesday) at 6-15 p.m. (S.T.) at the "K. R. Cama Oriental Institute," by Dr. Hiralal D. Patel, D.O. (Oxon), D. O. M.S. (Eng.), on "Glaucoma, Cataracts, Short-sight and other Eye—Diseases, their causes, prevention and cure." The lecture will be illustrated by pictures drawn on the spot.

BOMBAY THEOSOPHICAL FEDERATION

Under the auspices of the Bombay Theosophical Federation there will be a Public Meeting to celebrate the Adyar Day at the Blavatsky Lodge Building, on the terrace, to-day (Wednesday) at 6-30 p.m. Speeches will be delivered in English and in Gujrati, followed by music.

TAMIL DRAMA AT PAREL

The amateurs of the South Indian Sangit Sabha put on boards "Kovilan" in Tamil on Sunday at Damodar Thakersey Hall, Parel. The play which is a classic tragedy, full of tense moments and trying situations, has been the test of some of the best professionals on the South Indian stage. The role of Kovilan was well played, and the loud-thinking of the tragic hero who was unconsciously led to his doom was stirring. But the star role was that of Madagi, Karnaki and Kali which was rendered without marring the unity of the theme. The Madagi dance was not of a high order, though the player deserved credit for the pioneer attempt. The parallel scenes of the Devadasi playing the butterfly of the society, victimising the coxcomb with her wiles and charm, as contrasted with the ordeals of chastity formed the dramatic centre of the play. Among the minor roles, the bandit, Milkwoman and the too familiar Goldsmith with his golden tactics attracted attention and drew encores from the house. The orchestra was of a high order. Full credit must go to the conductor for rigorous editing and planned presentation which added to the excellence of the show.

PLAZA TALKIES

There is a change in the programme of the Plaza Talkies (Tilak Bridge, Dadar) from to-day (Wednesday), when the last fifteen parts of the serial "The Clutching Hand" will be shown. There will be a matinee show at the Plaza today at 3-30 p.m. while the usual shows will be at 6-30 and 10 p.m.

OFFICIAL & PERSONAL

The Governor of Bombay and Lady Brabourne gave a Dance at Government House on Tuesday.

Presidency Hard Court Championships

Mrs. BELL AND MYLTON WIN MIXED DOUBLES

The Mixed Doubles, in connection with the Bombay Presidency Hard Court Tennis Championships, which was not played yesterday, when the tournament concluded, was decided this afternoon.

The pairs concerned were, Mrs. Bell-Mylton and Miss Woodbridge-Mehta. After a keen tussle which lasted for about an hour, the former pair won the match at (5—7), (6—4), (6—4). All the four acquitted themselves very well, though they looked a little state after having played strenous tennis all these days. The run of play showed that both the pairs were equally balanced, particularly in the first set, which was decided at 7—5 in favour of the losers, after the rival pairs had come on level at 5—5, winning games alternately. It was again a neck to neck fight in the second set and after it was four games all, Mrs. Bell and Mylton went on to win at 6—4.

Being one set all, it was now a keen struggle for supermacy in the decisive set and the board at a stage need 3 games all, when the winners, who were playing determined to win the match, succeeded to register victory at 6—4 again.

THE RESULT.

Mrs. W. A. Bell and G. L. Mylton beat Miss Woodbridge and Jimmy Mehta (5—7), (6—4), (6—4).

SUBURBAN TABLE TENNIS TOURNEY

The following are some of the results of the matches played in the Bombay Suburban Table Tennis tournament, at the Bandra Gymkhana on Tuesday night:—

MEN'S SINGLES.

G. N. Lalljee beat J. S. Boyce (21—17), (22—20).

B. Mancherjee beat D. V. Pathak (21—14), (20—22), (21—14).

J. Dass beat I. N. Lalljee (21—10), (21—18).

H. M. Barafwala beat K. H. Kapadia (11—21), (21—12), (21—15).

MEN'S DOUBLES.

Frenchman and Akhtar beat G. M. Khory and A. B. Patel (22—20), (17—21), (21—16).

Parelwala and F. Gadzar beat H. K. Shivdashani and D. A. Ferreira (21—11), (21—16).

To-day's Fixtures

MEN'S SINGLES (SEMI-FINAL).

G. N. Lalljee vs. J. Dass.

H. M. Barafwala vs. B. Mancherjee.

GYMKHANA PLATE (FINAL.)

A. B. Patel vs. Winner of Akhtar and F. Shroff

MEN'S DOUBLES (SEMI-FINAL.)

LADIE'S SINGLES (FINAL) on Thursday at 6-30 P.M.

Miss P. D'Lima vs. Miss H. N. Toorkey.

GWALIOR CUP HOCKEY

Y. M. C. A. 'B' Spring Surprise

B. E. S. T. DEFEATED.

The Y. M. C. A. "B" sprang a surprise in the Gwalior Cup Hockey tournament, at the Cooperage, on Tuesday evening, when they beat B. E. S. T. Club by 2 goals to 1.

TO-DAY'S MATCH.

At the Cooperage at 5-30 p.m.

Replay of drawn match between Y. M. C. A. "A" v. Vincent Club, Dadar.

"JANMABHOOMI" APPEALS AGAINST SECURITY

BOMBAY, Tuesday.

A special bench of the Bombay High Court consisting of the Chief Justice, Mr. Justice N. J. Wadia and Mr. Justice Divatia, admitted on Tuesday, the petition of Santilal Lalchand Doshi, Printer and Publisher of "Janmabhoomi," a Gujerati daily newspaper of Bombay.

This was an appeal against an order of the Bombay Government ordering the petitioner to doposit two securities of Rs. 3,000 each in his capacity as the Keeper of the Press and as a Printer and Publisher of the newspaper, in respect of an article headed, "Challenge of the Goondas," printed on November 12 last, which was considered by the Government to be objectionable under the Indian Press (Emergency Powers) Act.

Their Lordship issued a rule.

MARWARI SUPPORT TO CONGRESS

The Marwari Sammelan, the central institution of the Marwari community of Bombay has issued an appeal to the voters of Bombay," in the course of which they say:—

"We appeal to every voter of Bombay and specially to the voters of Marwari community to record their votes for the Congress. Indian National Congress is the only, the strongest and the most competent organisation to give a united and strong fight against the foreign imperialists."

THE SWASTIK LEAGUE

"Three Miles Fast Walking Race (for members above age 40), 19 competitors of ages varying from 40 to 70 years, took part in this race. The race started from the Pathe Cinema at Lamington Road via the New Queen's Road, reaching St. Elizabeth Nursing Home, and back to the starting point. Mr. B. C. Kagalwalla was leading from the very start and came first, completing the course in 34.25 minutes. Mr. V. B. Phadnis and Mr. R. N. Pitale came second and third respectively, within a minute and a minute and a half, after the winner.

The forthcoming races organized by the League, for its members are as follows:—

Seven Miles walking Race: 22nd February, 1937; Start at 6 a.m. Pathe Cinema, Lamington Road.

Five Miles Running Race: 6th March. 1937; Start at 6 a.m. Pathe Cinema, Lamington Road.

The Public are invited to attend the functions in large numbers.

Ratansi Morarji's Nephew Dead

Death occurred of Master Kulinsingh, 15 year old son of Mr. Tricumdas Dharamsi Morarji and the nephew of Mr. Ratansi Dharamsi Morarji on Monday evening. Mr. Kulinsingh suffered from a severe attack of Typhoid for nearly a fortnight.

CUSTOMS RETURNS

BOMBAY: Tuesday.

The Collector of Customs, Bombay, has issued the following statement:—

Statement showing the total value of Imports, Exports and re-exports of merchandise and imports and exports of Gold, Silver and Currency Notes (foreign trade private) of the Bombay Presidency, excluding Sind, during the month of January, 1937, as compared with the same period of the previous year:—

	January 1936.	Jan. 1937.
Imports of merchandise	5,23,29,895	4,90,98,293
Exports of Indian produce	2,69,14,900	5,14,23,667
Exports of foreign merchandise	28,51,053	1,25,91,649
Imports of Gold	1,65,303	10,41,317
Imports of Silver	86,70,789	1,60,02,463
Imports of currency notes	28,000	47,455
Exports of Gold	3,71,17,388	2,38,54,883
Exports of silver	1,04,814	2,375
Exports of currency notes	Nil.	Nil.

SOUTH BOUND AIR MAIL DELAYED

Information has just been received from Messrs. Tata Sons that the south bound Air Mail has been delayed for a few hours and is expected to arrive in Bombay (Juhu) at about 4 p.m. today The London-India Air Mail will therefore be received here and issued for delivery at the Bombay G. P. O. at 18 hours today instead of 15-30 hours as usual.

Alleged Impersonation At Polling Booth

Three persons were arrested by the Byculla police on a charge of impersonation and thereby attempting to vote a second time.

Jeeva Nassir, it is alleged, went to the polling officer at Sir Elly Kadoorie Hall at 12-15 p.m. and obtained a ballot paper in the name of Jeeva Ali Mohammed and after 15 minutes again tried to obtain a ballot paper in the name of Jeeva Nassir when he was identified by the polling officer.

Jamal Mistry approached the same polling officer at 5 p.m. and asked for a ballot paper in the name of Jamal Mistry and it is alleged he did not reply when questioned about his father's name. His left thumb showed traces of pad ink proving he had already voted once in some other name. The same was the charge levelled against Baboo Asgarali who applied for a ballot paper in the name of Jehangir Subrati and later marks of pad ink were found on his thumb.

Mr. R. Mathalone extended their bail period at Mazgaon Court till February 27.

Three persons who were alleged to have been in communication with an alleged absconding thief were arrested on suspicion by the Agripada police and charged with abetment at Mazgaon Court on Tuesday.

In December last theft of Rs. 2,630 was committed by a domestic servant in the house of one Chaganlal Narayandas. The man was alleged to have absconded with the money. The three suspects now arrested are believed to have been in league with the man. They were released on bail.

CONGRESS BOOTH IN EVERY WARD

Plan To Help Voters In Getting Their Roll Numbers

The Propaganda Secretary of the Bombay City Congress Parliamentary Committee, writes:—

It is possible that by the time the voters of Bombay and Suburbs go to polls a large number of them may not have got their election cards. To meet this difficulty and to enable every voter to get his proper roll No. and the polling booth, we have devised a plan which, we are sure, will immensely facilitate voting.

ARRANGEMENT IN WARDS.

In the case of "A", "B", "C" and "D" Wards constituency, we have opened a Congress Election Booth at a central place in every Ward. Voters of that Ward, whether they have election cards or not, should come to this Congress election booth in any Congress conveyance that they can get or in any other manner they like. In this election booth each voter will be given his roll No. and also the name of the booth at which he has to vote. Arrangements will be made to convey the voters from the Congress Election Booth to the various proper booths, where voters are entitled to vote

We, therefore, appeal to all voters, whether they have secured their cards or not, to go to the Central Booths given below and find out their roll numbers and the booths. There will be a little inconvenience, no doubt, but it is preferable to losing the vote entirely. We hope the citizens of Bombay will take advantage of this arrangement.

CONGRESS BOOTHS.

The Congress Election Booths for every Ward will be as follows:—

"A" Ward (Fort): Sudama House, Bhora Bazar.

"B" Ward (Mandvi): "B" Ward District Congress Committee Office, Kharek Bazar, Mandvi.

"C" Ward (Bhuleshwar): Goldfield Leather Works, Princess Street.

"D" Ward (Girgaum): Congress House Compound.

VOTERS IN BOMBAY SOUTH TO NOTE

The Propaganda Secretary of the Bombay City Congress Parliamentary Committee writes:—

(1) You have a vote until you ascertain by reference to the roll that you have not.

(2) Card holders should straight walk into their respective booth and vote for Congress candidates.

(3) Those who have not got their cards yet, must try to get their cards at one of the following places:

A Ward (Fort): Sudama House, Bhora Bazar.

B Ward (Mandvi): "B" Ward District Congress Committee Office, Kharek Bazar, Mandvi.

C Ward (Bhuleshwar): Goldfield Leather Works. Princess Street.

D Ward (Girgaum): Congress House, Compound.

From these centres they will be conveyed to their proper booths.

(4) Telephone enquiries cannot be answered on the Polling Day as it will be impossible to do so.

(5) Divide your votes equally among Congress candidates. One, one and one ought to be the division if you want Congress to succeed.

(6) Record your vote early so that nobody can rob you of that.

Phone Nos. For C. Ward

The Secretaries of the "C" Ward Parliamentary Committee write: Workers and Voters are requested to take down the following telephone numbers for inquiries:—25923 and 26470; and for cars 25301.

Lady Voters are requested to vote for Congress candidates at their polling booth at Chandaramji Girl's High School.

Appeal To Hindi-Bhashi Voters

The Secretary of the Hindi-Bhashi Election Propaganda Committee writes:—

Ignoring the adverse propaganda carried by some and amongst a few, every Hindi-Bhashi Voter should be patriotic enough to vote for the Congress candidates only in all wards.

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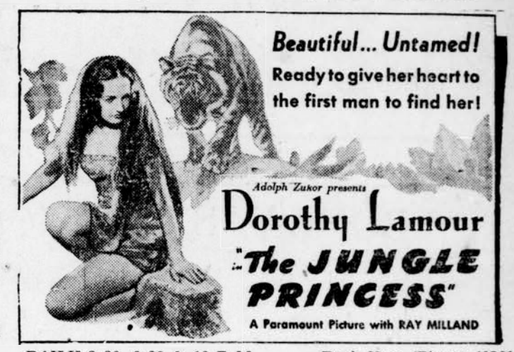
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BOMBAY'S DUTY

To-day will mark practically the last day of the polling for the new provincial legislatures, only the voting for the women's constituencies remaining to be finished on Thursday. As we noted yesterday, the Indian National Congress has come out of the battle of the hustings with its colours flying, and has, from province to province, received almost the unanimous suffrage of the people. This is a consummation which must fill the heart of every true son and daughter of India with joy and pride, and it has been hailed with the greatest satisfaction even by sincere foreign friends of India like, Prof. Harold Laski, who see in those successes a noble vindication of the Congress.

Bombay's Tradition

It is often remarked with very great appropriateness that what Bombay does to-day, India will do to-morrow. In the matter of the present elections however, it is the privilege of Bombay not to lead but to follow the rest of India in voting Congress to-day. As Prof. Laski observed in the special message he gave to our London correspondent, "Bombay with its long tradition of radical nationalism must put the seal on the election results by returning all Congress candidates by heavy majority." That, we are perfectly convinced, Bombay will certainly do. The enthusiasm which the elections have created in the city almost reminds one of the heyday of the Civil Disobedience Movement when every house in the city had become a Congress House, and every citizen represented in his person the prestige and power of the Congress. It is never to be thought of that Bombay which gave such unstinted service and sacrifice to the Congress in days gone by will fail to support the Congress candidates now, in the essentially simple and minor matter of the franchise. Simple and minor, we say advisedly, but the duty that devolves upon the people of Bombay is on that account none the less onerous and sacred. For every vote that is cast for the Congress constitutes the only self-respecting reply which we can give to the British Government which has inflicted the mockery of the new reforms upon this country. Every vote will strengthen the hands of the Congress, and will count as a nail struck in the coffin of an unwanted and obnoxious constitution.

Lokamanya's Warning

In this connection it will not be superfluous to re-quote the warning which Lokamanya Tilak gave to voters in 1920 in explaining to them the policy of the Congress Democratic Party and which we quoted yesterday in our appeal to Maharashtra. Said the Lokamanya: "If the representatives of the Congress are elected the people of England will be convinced that the policy of the Congress is fully acceptable to the voters and that they are determined to win complete Self-government. . . . If the Congress Party is not returned at the Elections, it will show that you do not want full Self-government and you want only Bureaucracy." It is up to the Bombay voters to show to the world that they in common with the rest of India are now more determined than ever before to win complete independence. Many great tasks have to be achieved before that goal is reached. But they will be appreciably simplified if the demand for independence is made in unmistakable terms by a vast majority of the voters. Many cities and towns in the country have given a splendid account of themselves in this matter. Bombay is expected to surpass them all in its loyalty to the Congress and the cause of independence.

Follow Congress Instructions

As it is necessary that not a single Congress vote should be wasted, we must particularly request the voters to observe very scrupulously the instructions which have been issued by the Congress authorities. Discipline is necessary primarily in the distribution of votes. It is not only invidious, but positively detrimental, to treat any individual candidate preferentially while polling. One Congress candidate, one vote must be the slogan. As Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel observes in the appeal he has broadcast on the eve of the election, "It must be remembered that in the plural constituencies in which the Congress has to fight, individual opponents can easily take advantage of our indifference, overconfidence, or unequal division of votes." The success of each Congress candidate is linked up with that of his comrade, and each is equally entitled to our support. Every voter will facilitate his own voting as that of others if he follows the instructions and directions issued by the B.P.C.C. which we strongly recommend the public to peruse before entering the polling booths.

The President's Call

A special word is necessary with regard to the E. and F. Wards constituency in which the Congress has put up a Harijan candidate in Mr. P. Baloo together with the two general candidates, Messrs. D. D. Gilder and Jinabhai Joshi. As these are opposed by a reactionary like Dr. Ambedkar and a rebel against the Congress like Mr. Deorukhkar, and by Mr. Joglekar, who by his opposition seeks to cripple the very joint front against imperialism which he professes to have at heart and which is essential for the salvation of the country, it is specially necessary by all possible means to guarantee the success of all the Congress nominees with thumping majorities. This is quite possible if the numerous Congress-minded voters in the constituency divide their votes equally among all the three Congress candidates. Only, the voters for Congress must muster in overwhelming numbers, whatever might be the difficulties in the way. Indeed, this applies to all Congress voters in all the constituencies. For a Congress voter to be idle or indifferent on the polling day is treachery to the Congress. How can he afford to be so when little boys and girls, though they are not voters, are working hard as Congress volunteers? It is no exaggeration to say that the polling booth should be regarded as a place of pilgrimage to visit which is a sacred duty which must be discharged at all cost. Bombay has literally made history by its achievements in the recent national struggle. Let it now add one more chapter of great achievement. The Congress President expects every voter in Bombay to "line up with the Congress and march together to Swaraj."

Railway Finance

The Railway budget estimates for the year 1937-38 permit a sigh of relief, but do not justify any complacency. The small surplus of 15 lakhs that is expected for the year 1936-37 and provided for in the budget estimates is by itself negligible where crores are involved. But it is something, indeed, that for the first time since 1929-30 Railway estimates forecast any surplus. Moreover, there is the encouraging fact that, whereas the budget estimate for 1936-37 was a deficit of 3.44 crores, the present estimate for the year indicates an improvement of 3.59 crores. Finally, traffic receipts in 1936-37 are now expected to be 4 1/3 crores more than last year. These are certainly encouraging figures but everything depends upon whether the current year's improvement is likely to be permanent.

Opinions differ as to whether the improvement is indicative of the end of the depression of the last several years. The improvement may be due, as many think, to what Sir Zafrulla called "the rapid deterioration of the international situation" and, therefore, it may be only temporary. In any case it is unsafe to rely unduly upon the signs of recovery, and the budget estimates for 1937-38 wisely provide for receipts only to the tune of 90 3/4 crores as against 91¼ crores in the current year, excluding Burma Railways; though the exclusion of these under separation would be a permanent financial advantage to British Indian Railways as they are working at a deficit. It is also well that Government do not propose to embark upon a large programme of expenditure, banking upon the hopes of a permanent enquiry.

As regards the Railway Board's liabilities of over 62 crores on account of the loans from the Depreciation Fund and unpaid contribution to general revenues, it is proposed by Government to write off all loans from the Depreciation Fund and all unpaid contribution to general revenues till the end of 1936-37 and "to start the new year with a clean slate." This is justified by Government on the plea that, if these liabilities are carried forward, general revenues will not be able to obtain for many years any benefit from improved railway revenues, as the first charge on the surpluses is the repayment of loans from the Depreciation Fund. We are not convinced of the merits of this bold procedure, which if followed often, will deplete the Depreciation Fund and put a premium on extravagant expenditure.

BRELVI THANKS WORKERS

Mr. Syed Abdullah Brelvi, who, as a Congress candidate, contested one of South Bombay Muhammadan seats, writes:—

Now that my election campaign has ended, I consider it my duty to give public expression to my feelings of gratitude to all those men and women, who have taken active part in this campaign, though I realise that it is not possible for me adequately to thank them.

Election work is ordinarily a very strenuous one. But, in my election campaign specially unfavourable circumstances made the work doubly strenuous. When we started the campaign, my co-workers and I found that we had to contend against a volume of bitter feelings—a legacy of the recent unfortunate Hindu-Muslim riots. Several friends sought to dissuade me from contesting the election, but I had a feeling that, despite the seemingly unfavourable atmosphere the heart of the Muslim community in Bombay, specially of the younger section, was sound and that the cause, for which the Congress stood, had warm support from a large section of it. A band of true Nationalists —many of them young men and women—volunteered their services and consistent opposition, abuse and intimidation only stirred them to increasingly enthusiastic and devoted effort. Whatever the result of their effort, they have succeeded in removing much of the misunderstanding itself due mainly to ignorance, which prevailed among a large section of the Muslims against the Congress and, what is more important, in bringing into prominence the genuine loyalty to it of an equally large section.

The mean and filthy propaganda that was carried on against the Congress and myself has recoiled on those responsible for it and disgusted all right-thinking Muslims. Altogether my co-workers and I feel confident that the more intimate contact, which we have been able to establish and which we propose to maintain, with our Muslim brethren, will lead to their being soon enlisted as devoted and active adherents of the Congress.

PARTY POSITION IN U. P.

LUCKNOW, Feb. 16.

The Congress in the United Provinces has captured 108 seats in the U. P. Assembly till the time of wiring (10 p.m.) out of 186 seats, results of which have so far been announced.

Combined strength and other positions are as follows:—

Congress 108
National Agriculturist Party 15
Muslim League 24
Independent Muslim 23
Independent Hindus 7
Europeans 2
Commerce 3 and
Landholder 4.

The two Europeans include Mr. Desmond Young and Captain Pocock from the European constituency.

The three from the Commerce constituencies include Sir Jwala Srivastava and Mr. E. N. Souter from the Upper India Chamber of Commerce constituency and Lala Padampat Singhania from the Joint India Chamber constituency. The latter was declared elected to-day.—United Press.

LATEST PARTY POSITION IN SIND

KARACHI, Feb. 16.

The Congress has captured 8 out of 13 general seats contested by it in the election to the Sind Assembly.

Latest Party positions are as follows:

Congress 8
United Party 11
Hindu Sabha 3
Azad Party 4
Muslim Party 2 and
Europeans 3.—United Press.

Our London Letter

Conservatives' Tirade Against L. C. C. Labourites

From Our Own Correspondent

LONDON, Feb. 6,
(By Air Mail).

As usual, there is a post mortem on the result of the North St. Pancras by-election, where the Government was able to retain the seat against a Labour opponent. The victor and the vanquished had their say after the declaration of the poll. What is significant is that the Labour candidate attributed his defeat to the intervention of the Communists who had gathered together in his support. Last night Mr. Herbert Morrison declared at an L. C. C. election meeting that the Communists made a present of the seat to the Conservatives which accounts for the latter to call the Communist as the prize boys. However the Ministerial organ, the "Times" declares that the result is reassuring neither to any political party nor to those who care deeply for the vitality of the democratic system in Britain.

In the Conservative circles, nevertheless, the election result is accepted as a warning for the forthcoming L. C. C. election. Their press champions ask the Party headquarters to take warning from the election in which the Socialists were able to poll almost 75 per cent. of their strength. If the Socialists are to be defeated, they say, next month in the L. C. C. election there obviously must be no repetition of such apathy on the part of anti-Socialist electors. Consequently on Monday next when the Municipal Reformers (Conservatives) bring out their election manifesto it will contain a number of charges against Mr. Herbert Morrison and the Labour leaders who at present govern the city of London. In the opinion of the Conservative Press, "keeping out the Socialists now-a-days means out voting not only the natural supporters of the Labour Party, but a whole army of pacifists, busy bodies, internationalists, communists, Cobdenaddicts, Genevaists, friends of Red Spain, friends of Red Russia, and friends of every other brand of Red or Pink crankdom." "These quarrel some and dissatisfied folk habitually flock to the polls at by-elections," declares the "Evening News", and "the easy-going leave-it-to-the Government-and-get-on-with-your-business fellow is the one that stays at home, in a real crisis he would run the Government majority up from hundreds to thousands." Evidently at St. Pancras, the electorate did not realise that there was a real crisis because the Conservative candidate got home just by the skin of his teeth.

Germany's Demand For Colonies

The return of Von Ribbentrop to London is responsible for the reports to the effect that the German Ambassador has brought with him a more or less definite demand for the return of all the ex-German Colonies. However, this is not borne out by opinion in diplomatic circles in London. If such a demand is to be made it is much more likely that Hitler will deliver it himself by his usual broadcast methods. Even that this will happen is thought to be unlikely by those most closely informed, who feel that the Fuehrer must realise that such an excess of bluntness would be more likely to damage his cause than forward it. The former German colonies have not all been mandated to one Power. If, as has been reported in Germany, the demand for the return of them all is to be put forward as a stand point for negotiations and bargaining, it would have to be addressed with equal vigour to all the nations who hold those mandates. Japan is one of these nations, and the Japanese are perhaps less likely than any other people to forego any of the privileges which they acquired as a result of their share in the war. Certainly, such a round demand on the part of Hitler would be calculated seriously to undermine the friendly understanding which has just been cultivated between Japan and Germany.

Hitler's Speech

The British Cabinet is believed to have discussed during the weekly Cabinet meeting Hitler's speech delivered on last Saturday. It may have considered taking steps to secure some elucidation of points in the speech which were in uncertain terms. It is believed at the same time that the Government is determined on secret negotiations with Hitler. Following the indication in the "Times" on Monday last, the diplomatic correspondent of the "Morning Post" stated on the following day that "it is likely that any new approach to Berlin will be made through diplomatic channels. It is felt in London that the method of public announcement when applied to foreign policy has exhausted its usefulness. If any agreement can be reached with Germany it will be as the result of long and careful preparation in private. This is accepted as a suggestion that the Government is prepared to do a deal with Hitler and face the British people with a betrayal of France and peace in Eastern Europe which it would not dare to negotiate in the light of day.

I am told that an effort will be made to influence British foreign policy in such a way as to make it appear to Germany that Britain is no longer founding its international affairs on the League of Nations—an attempt, which, indirectly, is aimed at Mr. Eden, the Foreign Secretary. As a matter of fact, as the "Star" stated editorially on Thursday, grave misgivings are aroused by the news that Ribbentrop's return to London is to be followed by Mr. Eden's departure for the South of France. Many who watched the Foreign Secretariat answering questions during the week are astonished at the suggestion that he is feeling "the strain of his duties." "Nobody will begrudge the hardworking Foreign Secretary a respite," says the "Star," "but he could hardly leave London at a more unfortunate time. Herr von Ribbentrop has come back from Berlin primed with subjects to discuss, among them the highly controversial issues raised by Hitler in his speech of Saturday. If ever Eden was wanted on deck this is the time. When we learn that Lord Halifax will take charge of the Foreign Office in Mr. Eden's absence, it is impossible not to

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FRANKLY SPEAKING

THE DEMAND FOR COLONIES

The German demand for old colonies was, we notice, again the subject of animated discussion in the House of Commons. As we have pointed out earlier British imperialist interests find themselves in the company of a cause which is the lesser evil. Lord Cranborne, who represented Mr. Anthony Eden, was heckled with a view to extracting an un-equivocal declaration from the Government. And they have succeeded in securing the assurance that "Government have not considered and are not considering any such problem" as the "cession to Nazi Germany of any Territory whatsoever under British political control" The answer is clear enough—for the time being. But the question will finally close, so far as the Nazi optimists are concerned, only if Government accept the resolution tabled by Mr. Duncan Sandys.

VICTIMISATION.

We are not at all surprised at the Allahabad report about alleged vindictive victimisation of tenants in a village in Muttra District by the proprietors. The great "crime" of these unfortunate tenants is that they rallied to the Congress call and pinned their faith in the message of hope and redemption that it held out. This response was manifested in the decisive manner the protege of the vested interests, a Rai Saheb, was defeated at the polls. Several tenants with their families, household goods and cattle have been turned out and the village wells have been closed to them. The men are lying in wilderness, while some have migrated to other parts of the province. In some places the poor tenants were even beaten. Such is the wrath of the Zemindars who feel scandalised at the patriotism of the masses. Only the other day Babu Sampurnanad the Secretary of the U. P. Provincial Congress Committee drew public attention to the complaints of threatened revengeful action against the tenants received in his office. The Allahabad reports only confirms those complaints. The Congress, to whose call these tenants responded in such splendid fashion, of course, cannot allow them to be thus victimised. It will, on the contrary, do every thing to protect the tenants.

GOVERNMENT'S DUTY.

But what is most amazing is the apparent indifference of the local authorities in a matter which, if allowed to go on without strong check, is bound to develop into a grave cisis. If Government do nothing to prevent this victimisation and pauperisation of those who exercised their newly-got democratic right in what they believed to be their interests, they will lay themselves open to the charge of having themselves encouraged it. They should take immediate steps to prevent every-kind of victimisation of voters, who have only discharged their constitutional duty in a thoroughly constitutional manner.

UNJUST AND HIGH-HANDED.

We cannot imagine any justification for the action of the District Magistrate of Ahmednagar in demanding a security of Rs. 1,000 from the publisher of the "Yugantar," the Marathi socialist weekly of Ahmednagar. The "Yugantar" is worthily serving the cause of the poor peasants of the district in a thoroughly constitutional manner. But the Magistrate contends that it "has been found to be indulging in publishing objectionable writing". If it really did so, it could have been prosecuted in a Court of Law under the all comprehensive provisions of the Indian Penal Code. The action taken by the Magistrate is unjust and high-handed and a gross abuse of the emergency powers vested in him.

RECOGNITION FOR DENTAL COLLEGE.

At the annual meeting of the Bombay Presidency Dental Association, Doctor Hansen, the retiring President, made a strong plea for a Dental Registration Act. The Government owe it to the public as well as to 'bonafide' Dental Surgeons to pass the necessary legislation. Without it quackery will continue to thrive at the expense of public health. What is an equally important and urgent necessity is the recognition of the Nair Dental College. This institution which has been generally admitted to be absolutely first class, run on modern and efficient lines, has been rightly recognized by competent medical authorities in several countries. It is at once strange and significant that the Government and the University should have so far refused to accord recognition to such a laudable indigenous enterprise. There can hardly be any excuse now for continuing to withhold recognition and the sooner Government and the University realize it, the better.

Vile Parle Foot-Overbridge

To The Editor of "The Chronicle."

Sir,—In connection with the above which is engaging the attention of the citizens of Vile Parle since a few days and the dynamic readiness with which Messrs Kalbag & Co. have come forward to foot the bill of its construction near the Railway foot-overbridge, I would suggest to the latter that the Municipality is not the final authority in such cases. There are ample supervisory powers inherent in the Collector by means of which every action of the Municipality howsoever small can be annulled or amended. The Municipality is bound to spend for this out of the public funds at its disposal as it is a civic amenity unless they get any unconditional donation for such a purpose, excepting the commemoration of the name of the donor in such cases. In this case this donation is accepted on condition that the donor will be given a license for a private market. Apart from the loss of revenue that may be entailed by such license, it is silly to license market for foodstuffs over which the municipal control would be indirect. The market deals with foodstuffs the sanctity of which the municipality is bound to maintain. Indirect control over foodstuffs will be ineffective. Footing the cost of the Bridge by contribution would not deter the councillors from committing such blunders. I would therefore with all earnestness at my command suggest that the citizens should strongly protest against the action of the municipality in accepting Mr. Harmukhrai's offer and request the Collector to get the resolution recinded.—Yours etc.

N. R. H.

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WITHOUT COMMENT

We are in for great social changes. The franchise is bound to give an impetus to women's movements. Though the effect may be devastating on the kitchen-rooms, we must reconcile ourselves to the new order of things. Nobody likes to be called a back-woodsman in these days.—"Amrit Bazar Patrika."

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"POONA, Feb. 15.

Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru has been continuously moving in Southern Maharashtra districts during the past 24 hours without any rest or sleep."

—News item.

Anti-Congress pretenders to greatness must note what stuff a leader should be made of.

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According to an Anglo-Indian correspondent "the most astounding of all election results of the Sind Assembly" is the defeat of Sir Shah Nawaz Bhutto at the hands of Shaikh Abdul Majid "leader of the Sind Muslim League Party."

Before the Muslim League proceeds modestly to accept the compliment it must be pointed out, for the sake of poor Shaikh Abdul Majid that he is the leader of "the Azad Party."

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Seth Abdullah Haroon, the other Sind leader has been beaten by a Khan Sahib.

The Seth Sahib must be cursing his ill luck in not having received even an Ottawa Khan Bahadurship. That might have made a difference on the right side.

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There cannot be the least little shadow of doubt about it. The Amraoti correspondent of our Anglo-Indian contemporary itself concedes an absolute majority in C. P. and so does the Liberal paper of Nagpur. That is, the correspondent and the Hitvada say "On the strength of messages from impartial observers that in a House of 112, the strength of the Congress will be at least 60.

Now Then Bombay?

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Thus Mr. Runciman, President Board of Trade, in the House of Commons:—"Nobody has done more than me to impress upon the Indian mind that we have the largest market for their raw cotton and that we have adapted ourselves for that purpose."

Nobody knows better than the Indian that Britishers have certainly adapted themselves for the purpose of exploiting India's raw cotton. It is, in fact, an old historical truth.

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"The Consul-General for Italy in Bombay states that the amnesty granted in honour of the birth of a son to the Crown Princess of Italy benefits prisoners convicted for political offences."

—News item.

What, what, what? This is almost a sacrilege. Let's cross ourselves—we mean let's reverently raise our right hands lower our heads and murmur "Viva Il Duce," hoping prayerfully all the time that the Consul General is exaggerating.

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Civil Servants May Be Sacked For Not Voting.

—Headline.

It refers to Brazil. Different countries different ways, you know.

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TO-DAY'S PRIZE HOWLERS

(By The Junior Colleague)

(1) Sir Shanmukham Ottawa Chetty is to be appointed the Economic Adviser to Government of India in view of past services rendered.

(2) Germany and Italy will offer to do the "cordon-round-Spain" business between themselves.

(3) Mr. Bhopatkar and Sir Siddappa Tolappa Kambli are confidently and calmly awaiting election results.

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A teacher had dwelt with wearisome iteration on the part played by carbo-hydrates, proteins, and fats respectively in the upkeep of the human body. At the end of the lesson the usual test questions were put.

"Can any girl tell me the three foods required to keep the body in health?"

There was silence till one maiden replied: "Breakfast, dinner and tea!"

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"So he praised my singing, did he?"

"Yes, he said it was heavenly."

"Did he really say that?"

"Well, not exactly, but he probably meant that. **He said it was unearthly."**

WORKING CLASS MUST STRENGTHEN CONGRESS

E. & F. Ward Voters' Duty To-Day

Emulate Example Of U. P., Bhiar And Orissa And Force Forfeiture Of Securities On Opponents

The Jt. Hon. Secretaries of the F Ward Congress Election Office writes:—

To-day Bombay will demonstrate its complete loyalty to the Indian National Congress. People of all classes and stations in life will go to the polls and register their votes in favour of the Congress candidates in the three different constituencies. The working class will vie with others in demonstrating their patriotism and their eagerness to further the anti-imperialist struggle by strengthening the Congress. They will follow the glorious example of the brave peasants of the United Provinces, Bihar and Orissa. Just as their Kisan comrades have forced the opponents of the Congress to forfeit their securities, the workers of Bombay will, by their tremendous rally to the call of the Congress and its President Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru help the Congress to beat all opposition and come out victorious.

THREE CANDIDATES.

The following are the three candidates put up the Congress from the E and F Wards:—

1. Jinabhai P. Joshi.
2. Dr. M. D. Gilder,
3. Baloo Babaji Palwankar.

Each voter in these wards will divide their votes equally among the three candidates. They must remember that the success of the Congress depends on such equal divisions as also in the large number of voters going to polls. We request the voters not to wait for Congress cars to go the polling booths. They may take any conveyance that may come handy and reach their respective polling booths. But when they vote they must vote only for the three Congress candidates. The following copy of the voting paper will give a correct idea as to how to register votes. Each voter must bear this in mind when he enters the ballot room. There will be no different boxes for different candidates. There will be only one box for all candidates. Voters must consider that as the Congress Box and fill it with votes as marked below:

country vote for Congress. If you want the new Slave Constitution to be wrecked, Vote for Congress candidates: If you want your interests to be effectively safeguarded vote only for Congress candidates. Remember that those who oppose the Congress only help in the perpetuation of the Slave Constitution and imperialist exploitation. Vote for Congress and do your duty to your country and unto yourself. Congress alone deserves your support: Congress alone will respond to your needs

GET HOLD OF VOTING CARDS

The Secretary of the Girgaum District Congress Committee writes:—

In spite of strenuous efforts our workers have not been able zto locate a large number of voters in this ward. Thousands of cards have not been delivered to the voters because of their change of addresses.

In most of these cases such voters must not have received an intimation from any of the candidates and because of this reason it is probable that such persons may suppose that their names do not stand in the roll. It is therefore essential that every man and woman who pay five rupees or more as rent and all Matriculates who had submitted their Certificates either at the Collector's Office or at the Congress Office or through any of the centres must presume that their names are entered in the roll. They should therefore not remain home under this misapprenension but go to the booth and satisfy himself or herself after referring the Roll.

In this connection I should like to draw the attention of citizens to hhe fact that at both Behar and Orissa poor and ignorant peasants who did not know if they were voters went in thousands to the booth and 90 per cent of them found that they were the voters. Thus with little trouble they were able to sweep the polls and thus set an example to the whole of India.

I hope Citizens of Bombay will not fail in their duty towards the Congress and the Country. Every man and woman whether he or she knows that he is a voter or not should go to the booth as early as possible and refer to the Roll.

Specimen of Ballot Paper (For E & F Wards General Constituency)
मतपत्रक का नमूना (ई और एफ वार्ड के लिये)
मतपत्रिकेचा नमुना

Congress Appeals काँग्रेसच्या विजया करितां काँग्रेसनी ट्रेशह मारे

Vote as shown below
खाली दाखविल्या प्रमाणेच मते (×) या
नीचे आलेल्या प्रमाणे ज मतो (×) आपो

NAME AND SYMBOL OF CANDIDATE	CROSS ×
Balkrishna Janoji Deorukhkar	
BALOO BABAJI PALWANKAR	X
Bhimrao Ramji Ambedkar	
JINABHAI PARVATI SHANKAR JOSHI	X
Keshav Nilkant Joglekar	
MANCHERSHA DHANJIBHOY GILDER	X
Panduraug Nathuji Rajabhoj	

Voters of E and F Wards, Remember that to-day will decide the fate of to-morrow. If you want the Independence for your

COAL FOR BRITISH SHIPPING

Committee To Formulate Proposals

LONDON, Feb. 16.

Advantages of coal versus oil for British shipping are being discussed in the Conference which opened this morning at the Mines Department, Board of Trade, attended by representatives of engineering, shipping, coal, admiralty and Lloyds. Captain Crookshank Secretary for Mines presiding.

The conference carried a resolution welcoming steps taken to stimulate interest for obtaining increased use of bunkering coal. It was agreed to establish a representative committee to formulate proposals designed to secure this object.—Reuter.

BRITISH DESTROYERS IN COLLISION

MALTA, Feb. 16.

British destroyers "Active," "Worcester" and "Antelope" were involved in a collision off Hurdbank Malta. It is stated there was only slight damage and the vessels are returning to harbour under own steam.—Reuter.

SEVEN MINERS KILLED

LONDON, Feb. 16.

Seven miners have been killed hitherto, in an unexplained accident in Southnormanton Colliery, Derbyshire. Four bodies have been recovered, and three are still buried in debris. Several other miners have been injured. —Reuter

GOERING & NEURATH DENOUNCE WAR

BERLIN, Feb. 15.

War was denounced by both Goering and Neurath to-day in a speech and an article respectively.

Goering addressing the International Congress of Ex-servicemen declared "Those who rattle the sabre most loudly never carried one. Only those who never experienced the horrors of war can talk about another one.

"Germany is longing for peace as ardently as other nations."

Neurath interviewed by "Hamburger Fremdenblatt" declares that the statements repeatedly made by the most competent quarters in Germany and other countries of our European civilisation agree there is not slightest cause for fear of any danger to peace within this circle of culture.

IF YOU HAVE NOT GOT YOUR CARD!

The Propaganda Secretary of the Bombay City Congress Parliamentary Committee, has sent the following important announcement:—

Nobody must think that he is not a voter because he has not received the election card. Everybody who is entitled to vote must be on the electoral roll. It is the duty of every citizen entitled to vote to ascertain whether his name is on the electoral roll or not before deciding that he is not a voter. The duty of voters is therefore obvious. Whether they have their cards or not they must go to their respective booths and ascertain whether they are voters or not. The polling booths have been arranged alphabetically. It must be remembered that for the alphabetical arrangement, the first name (Christian name) must be taken for consideration.

For Voters Of Dadar Matunga-Wadala Area

Voters from Dadar-Matunga-Wadala area who have not secured their cards will please call at the Central Office for the area, near the Matunga Post Office, from where arrangements will be made to convey them to the respective polling booths.

Lady voters from Matunga area are requested to assemble near the Asthika Samaj, Bhandarkar Road, from where arrangements will be made to convey them to the Polling Booths and back.

Similarly lady voters from the Hindu colony will assemble near the Bhagini Samaj.

Congress male voters from the following areas will please assemble at the following places:—

Sion Area.—Near the Sion Post Office.

Matunga Area.—Near the Matuga Post Office.

Hindu Colony.—Near the Municipal gardens.

Antop Hill and Wadala.—Near the Maruthi Temple at Wadala.

ADJOURNMENT DISALLOWED

Reserve Bank Resignation Echo In Council Of State

NEW DELHI: Feb. 16.

Long before the new Council of State met this morning the Lobby bustled with activity and there was happy reunion of old members who had been re-elected and new members were introduced to each other.

The members who numbered about 40, headed by Sir Maneckji Dadabhoy, took the oath of allegiance.

LOYALTY TO KING.

On the motion of Sir Jagdish Prasad, the Leader of the House, the Council unanimously adopted a resolution expressing loyalty to the King-Emperor, and the President agreed to convey the resolution to His Majesty.

WELCOME TO MEMBERS.

The hope that the New Council of State which met to-day will make significant contributions towards the shaping and moulding of the destinies of Federated India was expressed by Sir Maneckji Dadabhoy, the President of the Council of State, welcoming both the non-officials and official members to the fourth and probably, the last Council of State under the old constitution.

Sir Jagdish Prasad, Sir Phiroze Sethna and Lala Ramsarandas, in brief speeches reciprocated Sir Maneckji's feelings and desires and assured him of their fullest confidence and co-operation in his strenuous duties as President.

ADJOURNMENT MOTION.

After questions, the President announced that he had received an adjournment motion from Mr. P. N. Sapru to consider the resignation of Sir Osborne Smith, the former Governor of the Reserve Bank, and the failure of Government to disclose the reasons therefor.

The President disallowed the motion stating that it was open to the member to have given notice of the resolution in the ordinary course on an incident which occurred months ago, and under the standing Orders in Council, the motion was unsustainable.

The President read messages from the Governor General announcing the nominations of Sir Phiroze Sethna, Rai Bahadur Ramsarandas, Sir David Devadoss and Mohd. Padshah for the panel of Chairmen.

The Secretary then placed on the table of the Council the Bills passed by the Assembly. Sir Guthrie Russell, the Chief Commissioner of Railways, read the Budget Estimates in respect of the Railways.

The Council adjourned till Feb. 20.—A. P.

DR. HARDIKAR REPLIES TO KAMBLI

(From Our Correspondent.)

HUBLI, Feb. 16.

Dr. Hardikar, pleader Mr. Tabib, Mr. Gokhale and Mrs. Umabai Kundapur addressed a mammoth meeting last night in Marathagalli exhorting the people to vote for Congress. Dr. Hardikar refuted all false allegations against the Congress made by Sir S. P. Kambli at several "Pansupari" meetings.

BAN ON VOLUNTEERS TO SPAIN

LONDON: Feb. 16.

The Main Committee of the Non-Intervention Committee sat for two hours at the Foreign Office, and accepted the recommendations of the Sub-Committee, regarding the control and the banning of volunteers to Spain.—Reuter.

NEW PROTECTOR OF MADRID

MADRID: Feb. 16.

Gen. Miaja, Chief of the Defence Junta, has been appointed the Supreme Military Commander of operations for protection of Madrid.—Reuter.

REMEMBER!

Silhouette Competition Closing Date

17th February, 1937

"ABSOLUTE N. C. O. WILL SPLIT CONGRESS"

Wrecking Tactics Harmful To India, Says "Daily Telegraph"

LONDON, Feb. 16.

The "Daily Telegraph" in a leader on the elections in India says that if Congressites refuse office there will be the spectacle of provinces mainly Islamic with orderly and popular Government and others, in which Hindus predominate, in which there will be obstruction and refusal to co-operate. That situation must speedily end the wrecking tactics of those who claim to stand for a progressive India.

Insistence on absolute non-co-operation is more likely to split the Congress into its diverse elements than to convince the world that a constitution that is a practicable instrument in half the provinces cannot be worked elsewhere. —Reuter.

Experts Discuss American Taxing Problem

WASHINGTON Feb. 16

Four tax experts, including the Undersecretary of the treasury, have now joined "The Hot Money" Conference designed to provide regulation of the inflow of foreign capital to America.

It is almost certain that some form of taxation will be advocated and among the Wall Street suggestions are heavier taxes on dividends and interest and heavy taxes on transfers of securities to foreigners.

Meantime, it is understood that after a close two hour meeting, the Conference is leaning towards a transfer tax, but the nature of such a levy is still vague and further meetings are being held. Mr. Morgenthau predicts some decision this week on measures to discourage capital imports, but states that the Conference has not considered any change in the American gold price. He also states that he personally is opposed to any exchange control device other than as a last resort..—Reuter.

PRINCESS ROYAL RETURNS FROM VISIT TO WINDSOR

LONDON, Feb. 15.

The Princess Royal and the Earl of Harewood arrived in London last night from Vienna after having spent a brief holiday with the Duke of Windsor.

They drove from the station to are the guests of Queen Mary.—Marlborough House where they

KING'S INTEREST IN INDIAN EXHIBITS

LONDON, Feb. 16.

King, Queen and Queen mother Mary, the Duke and Duchess of Kent and the Princess Royal visited the British Industries Fair at Olympia, first inspecting the Empire section, to which they devoted much time. The Royal visitors were particularly interested in Diorama's Gateway of India and the Proclamation Avenue with Viceroy's House at Delhi. They also inspected the raw materials stand and made numerous purchases, the King purchasing a number of lacquer boxes, the Queen a set of ivories, Queen Mary brassware, including cigarette-boxes, vases and tray, the Duchess of Kent a brocade piece and a whole range of teak elephants and brassware, the Princess Royal ivories and the Duke of Kent an ivory shoehorn.

Queen Mary complimented the organisers on the effectiveness of the display.—Reuter's Special.

GEN. GOERING ON HUNTING AGAIN!

WARSAW, Feb. 16.

Gen. Goering has arrived here ostensibly for another hunting expedition in Bialowieze, but he has brought his secretary and spent a day in official calls.—Reuter.

PRINCES AND NEW CONSTITUTION

NEW DELHI, Feb. 16.

The Constitution Committee of the Chamber of Princes reassembled to-day at the residence of the Yuvraj of Limbdi who presided.

The general implications of the Constitution Act were further discussed and the discussions had not concluded when the Committee rose for the day.—A.P.

E. INDIA LOANS BILL IN LORDS

LONDON, Feb. 16.

In the House of Lords Marquess of Lord Zetland moving second reading of East India Loans Bill explained the objects of the Bill.

The bill was read second time without discussion.—Reuter.

Bombay On Trial

SARDAR PATEL'S APPEAL TO VOTERS

A stirring appeal to the three and a half lakhs of voters in the City and Suburbs of Bombay to vote solidly for the Congress candidates was made by Sirdar Vallabhbhai Patel and Mrs. Sarojini Naidu on Tuesday evening at a mammoth meeting of the citizens of Bombay, held on the Chowpatty Sands.

Whom To Vote For

That the election was a fight between two forces, namely, Freedom and Slavery, and that, every vote cast in favour of the Congress candidates was an indication of the people's will to be free and that every vote cast against the Congress was an indication of the people's desire to continue under foreign domination, was stressed by Sirdar Vallabhbhai Patel in the course of his speech.

Bombay Knows Its Duty

Mrs. Sarojini Naidu expressed her complete confidence in the voters of Bombay, who, she was sure, would solidly support the candidates of the Indian National Congress even as they had done during the last sixteen years. She, for one, had no doubts whatever that the citizens of Bombay would always stand by the Congress.

Mr. S. K. Patil said that the evening's meeting was the last of its kind and Sirdar Vallabhbhai Patel had been invited to perform the closing ceremony of the election campaign which had been inaugurated two months ago. Within a few hours Bombay voters would have exercised their franchise and supported the candidates of their choice. He was confident that the Congress candidates would come out successful in the election battle.

MARCH TO POLLS.

Sirdar Vallabhbhai Patel said that the patriotism of the citizens of Bombay would be on trial on Wednesday.

If poverty stricken Orissa could return Congressmen in a thumping majority, if the Kisans of Bihar could solidly plump for the Congress candidates was it too much to expect of rich Bombay if one asked for support for all the Congress candidates. He did not think that the Congress candidates in the City would have to fight for their seats.

BOGEY OF RELIGION WON'T DO

Mr. Sarojini Naidu in the course of her speech said that though she had spoken only a couple of days ago, she felt that the message of the Congress deserve repetition. That evening was the last election speech that she would be delivering at least for five years to come. During the last sixteen years the Indian National Congress had come out successful in all the tests at Bombay and there need be no doubt that the City would once again prove its loyalty and love for the greatest organisation in the country.

Mr. K. M. Munshi in the course of his speech said that the success or failure of the battle that the Congress was fighting was in the hands of the voters.

With the singing of "Vande Mataram," the meeting came to a close.

WORKERS GREET CONGRESS LEADERS

Sardar Patel Appeals To G Ward Voters

A mammoth meeting of the "G" Ward voters was addressed by Sirdar Vallabhbhai Patel and Mr. Bhullabhai Desai at DeLisle Road on Tuesday night.

The special feature of the meeting was a large gathering of workers, who cheered the leaders vociferously, when they arrived and greeted them with cries of "Congress Zindabad."

Several meetings held in the vicinity by rival candidates Messrs. Jadhav, Surve, and Doundkar had to be abandoned when the "Chicago" loud speakers began to work on the Congress Platform.

Nearly 7,000 people were present at the meeting.

Mr. Ishwarbhai Patel, President of the "G" Ward Congress Committee presided over the meeting.

Mr. B. G Kher said the leaders had came there in spite of a heavy programme they had had already in the evening at Choupatty.

The Sirdar said that every Indian should vote Congress only at that juncture and prove his loyalty to Congress. He brought home to the workers, that it was not time to quarrel on ideological issues He asked them not to be misled.

Mr. Bhulabhai Desai said the hour of trial was near at hand but he was confident they would stand by the Congress.

He later addressed the audience in Hindi.

Mr. Wandrekar expressed thanks and hoped that "G" Ward voters would demonstrake on the morrow (to-day) that they were solidly behind the Congress.

Higher Taxes And Bigger Loans For Japanese Defence

Finance Member Stresses Gravity Of Situation At Home And Abroad

TOKIO, February 16.

Cuts totalling 269 million Yen in the Budget expenditure proposed by Hirota Cabinet were announced by the Finance Minister Mr. Yuki when the new Cabinet met a somewhat lukewarm Parliament for the first time this afternoon.

Mr. Yuki stated that lack of time had prevented a thorough revision of Hirota Budget Bill demanding a record expenditure of 3,038 million Yen, but in modification of it the Government had abandoned its proposed measures of taxation and custom tariff reforms and drawn up a provisional tax increase plan estimated to provide a further 292 million Yen.

He declared that the present situation at home and abroad made increased expenditure on national defence imperative, and this would be met by issue of Government bonds together with the increased taxation outlined.—Reuter.

OTTAWA NOT DEAD YET

Reply To Questions On Indo-British Trade Pact In Commons

LONDON, Feb. 16.

In the House of Commons replying to Mr. Duckworth, Dr. Burgin said Mr. Runciman would bear in mind, during the forthcoming negotiations between Britain and India, the factor that Indian cotton manufacturers were able to compete in price with British products in British Colonial markets. Replying to Mr. Poritt, Dr. Burgin said he was aware that uncertainty as regards the future of tariff on British cotton and rayon goods exported to India was prejudicial to British export trade. He added that preliminary discussions for some time had been proceeding with Government of India and there would be no avoidable delay in proceeding with negotiations for the Trade Agreement. Meanwhile the position under Ottawa agreement was being maintained subject to three months' notice.—Reuter.

CORONATION COINS

Specimen Sets To Be Issued To Commemorate Occasion

LONDON, Feb. 16.

In the House of Commons the Financial Secretary to the Treasury announced that Government contemplated to issue at special prices specimen sets of new gold and silver coins to commemorate the Coronation.—Reuter.

Scindia's Marriage Postponed

CALCUTTA, Feb. 16.

The "United Press' is authorised to announce that for some unavoidable reasons the marriage ceremony of His Highness the Maharaja Scindia of Gwalior and Princess Kamal Probha Devi of Tripura which was due to take place in Calcutta on the 6th March next, has been postponed for a very short period with the mutual consent of both the houses.—United Press.

Polling Booths At A Glance

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CONSTITUENCY:—BOMBAY CITY (BYCULLA & PAREL) GENERAL URBBAN

WARD E—BYCULLA

FOR MEN.

POLLING STATIONS:

Serial No. 24 — ST. ANDREW'S GUJERATHI PRIMARY SCHOOL. — Souter Street, Byculla. Entrance from Morland Road.

Electors served: Letters A to C (both inclusive) Nos. 1 to 5443 (both inclusive) of Part I and Nos. to 1027 (both inclusive) of Part II.

Serial No. 25 — ST. MARY'S HIGH SCHOOL — Khusru Lodge, Mazagaon. Entrance from the East Gate on the compound on Nesbit Road.

Electors served — Letters D to I (both inclusive) Nos. 5444 to 11789 (both inclusive) of Part I and Nos. 1028 to 2322 (both inclusive) Part II.)

Serial No. 26 — SIR ELLY KADOORIE SCHOOL. — Mazagaon. Entrance from Mazagaon Road.

Electors served. — Letters J to M (both inclusive) Nos. 11790 to 18836 (both inclusive) Nos. 2323 to 3703 (both inclusive) of Part II.

POLLING STATION

Serial No. 27 — MORLAND ROAD URDU BOYS' SCHOOL. — Morland Road. Entrance from Nesbit Road.

Electors served: Letters N to R (both inclusive) Nos. 18837 to 24948 (both inclusive) of Part I and Nos. 3704 to 4649 (both inclusive) of Part II)

Serial No. 28 — MAZAGAON POLICE COURT (Haji's Court) — Nesbit Road, Mazagaon. Entrance from Nesbit Road.

Electors served: Letters S to Z (both inclusive) Nos. 24949 to 32208 (both inclusive) of Part I and Nos. 4650 to 6035 (both inclusive) of Part II

FOR ALL WOMEN IN THE ELECTORAL ROLLS FOR E WARD

Serial No. 29 — NICHOLSON HALL ST PETER'S SCHOOL. — Belvedere Road, Mazagaon. Entrance from Mazagaon Road on the West of the compound. Exit only on the Belvedere road.

PAREL

FOR MEN.

POLLING STATIONS.

Serial No. 30 — KING GEORGE ENGLISH SCHOOL. — Hindu Colony, Dadar. Entrance from Sir Bhalchandra Road.

Electors served: Letters A to C (both inclusive) Nos. 1 to 6509 (both inclusive) of Part I and Nos. 1 to 770 (both inclusive) of Part II.

Serial No. 31. — NAPOO HALL. — Matunga. Entrance from Chandavarkar Cross Street.

Electors served: Letters D to I (both inclusive) Nos. 6510 to 13843 (both inclusive) of Part I and Nos. 771 to 1649 (both inclusive) of Part II.

Serial No. 32 — DADAR POLICE COURT — Near Dadar Tram Stand, Dada. Entrance from the gate on the South side of the compound, leading off Vincent Road.

Electors served. — Letters J to M (both inclusive) Nos. 13844 to 22176 (both inclusive) of Part I and Nos. 1650 to 2569 (both inclusive) of Part II.

Serial No. 33. — G. I. P. RAILWAY, BYCULLA GOODS DEPOT. — Byculla, Parel Road. Entrance from Main gate, opp. the Goods Depot.

Electors served: Letters N to Z (both inclusive) Nos. 22177 to 38879 (both inclusive) of Part I and Nos. 2570 to 4449 (both inclusive) of Part II.

FOR ALL WOMEN IN THE ELECTORAL ROLLS FOR F WARD

Serial No. 34. — RAMCHANDRA BHATT HIGH SCHOOL. — Poibavdi, Parel. Entrance from Dr. Batliwala Road.

BOMBAY CITY NORTH AND BOMBAY SUBURBAN DISTRICT GENERAL URBAN

BOMBAY CITY—WARD G MAHIM FOR MEN

POLLING STATIONS:

Serial No. 35. — CHUBILDAS LALLUBHAI BOYS' HIGH SCHOOL. — Chubildas Road, Dadar. Entrance from Chubildas Road.

Electors served. — Letters A to F (both inclusive) Nos. 1 to 8093 (both inclusive) of Part I and Nos. 1 to 2043 (both inclusive) of Part II.

Serial No. 36. — DR. ANTONIO DA SILVA HIGH SCHOOL. — Lady Jamshedji Road, Dadar. Entrance from the side street on the West of the compound.

Electors served. — Letters G to L (both inclusive) Nos. 8094 to 16827 (both inclusive) of Part I and Nos. 3044 to 4134 (both inclusive) of Part II.

Serial No. 37. — KASTOORCHAND MILLS SHEDS. — Dadar. Entrance from Dadar Road.

electors served. — Letters M to S (both inclusive) Nos. 16828 to 31070 (both inclusive) of Part I and Nos. 4135 to 7081 (both inclusive) of Part II.

Serial No. 38. — DADAR HINDU GYMKHANA. — Shivaji Park, Dadar. Entrance on the North of the Gymkhana.

Electors served. — Letters T to Z (both inclusive) Nos. 31071 to 34320 (both inclusive) of Part I and Nos. 7082 to 7788 (both inclusive) of Part II.

FOR ALL WOMEN IN THE ELECTORAL ROLL FOR G WARD

Serial No. 39. — C. K. P. HALL. — Dadar. Entrance from Ram Maruti Road.

CONSTITUENCIES:—(1) BOMBAY CITY NORTH AND BOMBAY SUBURBAN DISTRICT MUHAMMADAN (URBAN): FEBRUARY 15TH, 1937.

CONSTITUENCIES:—(2) BOMBAY CITY NORTH AND BOMBAY SUBURBAN DISTRICT GENERAL (URBAN): FEBRUARY 17TH, 1937.

POLLING STATIONS: I. Andheri. — GAZDAR HALL. — 1. Andheri. 2. Ambivli.

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NAGPUR GOES TO POLLS

Both Candidates Of Congress In Leading Position In City

NAGPUR, Feb. 16.

Polling commenced to-day amidst scenes of great enthusiasm and excitement at 59 booths throughout the City, separate arrangements being made for women voters, who are being approached by women canvassers to vote for one of the two contestants. The polling officers at these booths are also women. There are in all, over 45,000 voters in the City and it is anticipated that 65 per cent will go to the polls before 5-30 p.m. when polling concludes.

CONGRESS LEADING AT NAGPUR

(From Our Correspondent.)

NAGPUR, Feb. 16.

Voting for the Nagpur City constituency came off to-day. Polling was dull in first hour but improved about noon. About 20,000 voters including 3,000 women went to the polls.

Both the Congress candidates, Mrs. Anasuyabai Kale and Dr. Khare are leading by a thumping majority. Amongst the candidates for the seat reserved for Harijans Mr. L. N. Hardas (I.L.P.) is reported to be leading.

Seth Jamnalal Bajaj Dr. Khare and others supervised Congress election arrangements.

WALKOVER FOR CONGRESS

NAGPUR, Feb. 16.

The report from Khandwa states that Seth Thakurdas Goverdhandas having withdrawn from the contest Dr. Jagannath Mahodaya (Congress) has an easy walkover from Hoshangabad-Nimar Urban Constituency.

The polling, for two seats, one Nagpur General Urban and the other Women's Constituency was more brisk in the afternoon the percentage of voters exercising franchise in both the constituencies was nearly 65 and there was a keen fight.

For the one reserved Scheduled castes seat in Nagpur there was close contest between Messrs. Hardas (Independent) and T. C. Sakhare.—A.P.

CONGRESSMAN LEADS AT MANGALORE

(From Our Correspondent.)

MANGALORE, Feb. 16.

Polling in the Christian constituency of Mangalore-Malabar-Nilgris commenced this morning. Information received indicates heavy polling in favour of Prof. Varkey, Congress candidate. There was peaceful polling. Hundreds of yellow Gandhicaps were in evidence around the polling booths.

MULLAJI'S BAN ON BORAH COUPLE

Excommunicated From Panchayat

KARACHI, Feb. 15.

As a sequel to defiance of the order of the head of Borahs Mullajee Sahib has, it is understood, issued a "bull" from Bombay, excommunicating a Borah couple from "panchyat" who were recently united by a marriage tie and also a brother and the father of the bride, who assisted them in solemnising the marriage ceremony without the aid of the local Borha priest.

It may be recalled that, recently a marriage of a Bohri girl "Shirin" was solemnised with a Bohri youth from Bombay. The local priest when invited to perform the marriage ceremony, declined to do so by saying that the girl had uttered blasphemy at a public meeting by denouncing the system of "purdah", and unless she withdrew what she said, he would not unite the couple. Little caring for the threat, the brother of the bride acted himself as a priest and performed the marriage ceremony.—United Press.

MOVE TO STOP SUPPLIES

More Cuts To Railway Budget

NEW DELHI, Feb. 16.

Sardar Sant Singh, who apart from Mr. A. C. Dutt, Deputy Leader, is the only member of the Congress Nationalist Party attending the Assembly, has given notice of several cuts to the Railway Demands.

Both the Congress and the Congress Nationalist Party's cuts seek to reduce various demands to a nominal figure of Re. 1/ or Rs. 100, thus virtually stopping supplies.—A. P.

U. P. UPPER CHAMBER

Six Elected Unopposed So Far; 150 Contestants For 49 Seats

LUCKNOW, Feb 16.

While the atmosphere is still charged with the tenseness caused by the Assembly elections, all of which are not yet over, the elections to the Upper House commence to-morrow morning.

The U. P. Legislative Council will be composed of not less than 58 and not more than 60 members, of which 54 will be elected (General) 34 Mohammadan 17, European 1) and six will be nominated. Of the elected members five have been returned unopposed. These consist of two Hindus two Muslims and one European, all of them Independent candidates The remaining 49 seats will be contested by 150 candidates. The Congress is contesting 14 seats, the National Agriculturist Party 18 and the Hindu Sabha three the remaining 115 being Independents.

UNOPPOSED RETURNS.

The unopposed returns are:

General Rural: Gorakhpur: Rai Bahadur Kedarnath Khetun.

Rae Bareili: Rai Bahadur T. H. Hanuman Singh.

Muhammadan Urban: Lucknow City: Khan Bahadur Ahmad Husain Rizvi.

Muahmmadan Rural: Benares, Mirzapur, Jaunpur, Gazipur and Ballia. District: S. M. Farroq.

For the Europeans, Sir Gavin Jones has been returned unopposed.

IF CONGRESS ACCEPTS OFFICE

Pt. Pant Will Form Cabinet In U. P.

(From Our Correspondent)

ALLAHABAD, Feb. 16.

Congress ministry in U.P. is now considered a certainty. Congress has already annexed 91 seats in the Assembly while Agriculturists remain stuck up to 15.

If Congress decides to accept office the following are considered a probable composition for the Ministry with Pt. Govind Ballabh Pant as Chief Minister with Messrs. Purushottamdas Tandon, Sampurnanand Kailashnath Katju, Yusuf Imam, Dr. Murarilal and Mrs. Vijaylaxmi Pandit.

The Congress cabinet will have at least one sccial and one woman minister. Apart from Mr. Yusuf Imam there may be one more Muslim minister from Congress ranks.

The opposition is mainly composed of the Muslim League and Agriculturists and will be powerless to face Congress majority.

The question of the scale of salary to the Congress Ministers is arousing interest in view of the Congress resolution for restricting the salaries of public servant to Rs. 500 it is suggested Congress Ministers should accept full salaries offered them under the new constitution but contribute the part of the salary, over Rs. 500 to replenish Congress funds. Mr. Purushottamdas Tandon's name is also being suggested for the speakership of the Assembly.

CONGRESS MINISTRY FOR BIHAR?

Sri Krishna Sinha Likely To Be Chief

(From Our Correspondent).

PATNA: Feb. 16.

Elections being over, the future course of events is the subject of keen speculation, both in official and non-official circles. So far as can be gathered, officials, though recognising the clear majority obtained by the Congress and the utter rout of the party sponsored by Minister Sir Ganesh Dutta Singh in whom they had pinned their hopes and whom they had introduced to Lord Linlithgow as the one man who could frustrate Congress hopes in Bihar, have not yet lost the hope of possible defections in the Congress ranks, making it impossible for Congress to accept office and in any case to keep it for any appreciable length of time.

It is understood, Ministerial hopes are centred on Depressed Class members; 14 of whom have been returned on the Congress ticket. The Working Committee of the Depressed Classes' League recently has, however, made it clear that it will be a party within the Congress, even while demanding representation on a possible Congress Cabinet.

Opinion in the Congress circles is undoubtedly increasingly in favour of office acceptance in Bihar though Socialists and Kisan leaders are against the course.

Should office be accepted, the personnel of the Ministry may be thus forecasted:—

Mr. Sri Krishna Sinha as Chief Minister with Mr. Anugrah Narayan Sinha, Dr. Syed Mahmud and Mr. Baldeva Sahay as lieutenants.

Mr. Ram Dayalu Sinha may either be the speaker of the Assembly or a member of the Cabinet.

The trustees, staff and students of the Faiziam High School, Meerut, offered their most respectful congratulations to the Nizam on the Silver Jubilee occasion.

Abdur Rehman Mitha Abused & Threatened

Muslim League Leaders See Antics Of Followers In Silence

(By An Eye-Witness)

It is an irony of fate that Mr. Abdur Rehman Mitha who is closely related to Mr. Beg Mohamed the Muslim League candidate and at the same time, elder brother of Mr. Mohamed Mitha, the Secretary of the Muslim League, should be singled out for the foul and disgraceful assaults, and abused simply because he has sided with the cause of the poor. This experience is not unusual for Mr. Abdur Rehman Mitha

The same was repeated at the polling booth of the Anjuman-I-Islam High School on the 15th. Mr. Mitha came there at about 9 o'clock. A few sympathisers of Mr. Syed Abdulla Brelvi were canvassing votes outside at the entrance on the road. This was objected to by Mr. Beg Mohamed's people who probably thought that Mr. Allarakhya Abba alias Allaya Seth and his men alone had the only right to canvass votes and if any other candidates did any canvassing or distributed pamphlet they could threaten them with impunity. It is really a pity that to-day owing to these facts the Muslim public is not in a position to voice its feeling.

Seeing this attitude Mr. Mitha whose courage and boldness is well known to the public, came out and began canvassing for Mr. Brelvi. This continued for about an hour, when Mr. Tar Mohamad Mitha came and requested Mr. Mitha that his Party was willing to withdraw the volunteers and on Mr. Mitha's side he should also request his men to stop canvassing and it was agreed that both sides should stop canvassing. This agreement was observed strictly by Mr. Mitha, but Mohamedali Jinnah's arrival in the evening was the signal for not only Mr. Beg Mahomed's people but also to the Bohra followers of Mr. Mohamed Ali Alla Baksh to start abusing the National Congress and Mr. Brelvi. Volunteers were put at the entrance nearing the polling booth and they began shouting with all their might and began to abuse Congress in filthy language with the slogan "Boycott Brelvi". This disgaceful scene continued for two hours. Mr. Jinnah and Sir Rahimtoola Chinoy were present and silent. These volunteers accompanied by a large number of Bohras then came to Mr. Brelvi's tent, where Mr. Mitha was sitting and began shouting there. Mr. Mitha came out and said "you better revolt against the capitalists instead of supporting them and there is no use in shouting against Mr. Brelvi and his supporters."

The attitude of the supporters of Beg Mahomed and Mohd Ali Alla Baksh's volunteers became threatening. At this stage the Muslim public who were sympathising with Mr. Mitha formed a cordon round him to protect Mr. Mitha from danger. Mr. Mitha requested them to break the cordon and allow those men to approach him.

Mr. Mitha was taken to Mr. Brelvi's tent where he was followed by the rowdies who kept on shouting. Mr. Mitha tolerated this for half an hour, but seeing that threats and shouts continued said that instead of shouting at him, they should shout against capitalists who were exploiting them. Mr. Mitha and along with him a Borah supporter of Mr. Brelvi was foully abused in filthy language which any man would feel ashamed to hear. Such was the behaviour of the Muslim Leaguer's volunteers and men in the presence of the very leaders of the Muslim League.

At this juncture, however Mr. Huseinbhoy Lalji who had protested against the rowdyism came out and requested Mr. Mitha to leave the place to avoid further scenes. Mr. Huseinbhai Lalji escorted Mr. Mitha to his car and while he was being escorted he was again filthily abused and also assaulted.

Head-Colds

Melt in boiling water . inhale vapours; also sniff up nose.

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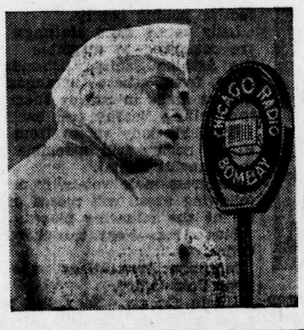

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Railway Budget Discloses Surplus Next Year

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last year and 60 lakhs less than our budget estimate.

The total number of passengers carried in the first seven months of the year is less by ¼ per cent. and passenger miles by 2 per cent. as compared with the figures for last year. The average lead per passenger is 34-1/4 miles or half a mile lower than in the previous year. Different railways made various kinds of efforts to improve earnings on passenger traffic such as the quotation of cheap return fares, the "travel-as-you-please" tickets at reduced rates for limited periods and the special arrangement on the Assam Bengal Railway by which the third class fare for any distance between the southern and the northern sections of the system was made subject to a maximum limit of Rs. 5.

Though all these devices were successful in varying degrees, they failed to prevent a deterioration in total earnings under this head. It is difficult to avoid the conclusion that unregulated and uneconomic bus competition is on the increase and continues to make serious inroads into Railway earnings.

Goods Traffic Flourishing

Receipts in respect of goods traffic on the other hand have been very much ahead of anticipations. Better crops and higher prices have combined to give us a considerably increased traffic.

Our ordinary working expenses are expected to be 62 lakhs more than last year (of which 8 lakhs is on account of restoration of the cut in pay) and 24 lakhs above the budget estimates. In the accounts, however, owing to the change in allocation already referred to by me the total working expenses will appear at a figure which is ½ crore below the budget estimates and 12 lakhs below the figure for the previous year.

Even if we assume that from the next year railways would begin to earn surpluses, existing liabilities will not be completely discharged for many years and meanwhile further liabilities in respect of contributions to general revenues will continue to accumulate. It will thus be impossible for Railways to resume current contributions to general revenues within any reasonable period that can be foreseen. The wisest plan in the circumstances appears to be to write off all these liabilities and to start the next year on the basis of a clean slate so far as these liabilities are concerned. It might be urged that the adoption of this course would result in depleting the Depreciation Fund to an unduly low figure. An objection of this kind would have some theoretical validity but I do not think we would be incurring any undue risk in adopting the course that I have suggested.

The actual balance in the Depreciation Fund at the end of 1936-37 is expected to be in the neighbourhood of 14 crores, excluding the share of the Burma Railway, and, so far as we can foresee at present, current contributions to the Fund would be more than sufficient to provide for all our ordinary needs.

Emergencies Provided For

The opening balance in 1937-38 may be safely regarded as sufficient to provide for all emergencies that we can at present foresee.

From the 1st April next the Burma Railways will be separated from the Indian State Railway System and it would facilitate comparison of figures if I were to place before the House figures of the revised estimates of 1936-37 excluding Burma Railways.

In the current year our total estimates of receipts from Indian Railways is 91¼ crores. Our total working expenses are expected to be 61.13 crores. Including miscellaneous transactions our net revenue from which interest charges will have to be met will be just under 30 crores and thus the surplus in respect of the Indian System of Railways would be 42 lakhs.

For 1937-38 we have estimated our gross traffic receipts at 90 3/4 crores and our expenses at 61½ crores. Our total net revenue including miscellaneous receipts is expected to be 29½ crores and interest charges 29 1/3 crores, the result being a surplus of 15 lakhs. This amount will in accordance with the modification of the Separation Resolution that I have outlined above, be transferred to general revenues.

Capital Programme

I now turn to our capital programme for 1937-38. The total programme of works not charged to Revenue will remain at about the same level as in the current year It is only with regard to wagons that we shall incur larger expenditure. We propose to purchase 2,000 wagons instead of 750 for 1937-38 and this increase appears to be justified by the recent improvement in goods traffic. Our expenditure on rolling stock including the cost of these wagons will be 3½ crores. We are also providing 4 1/4 crores for track renewals, 3/4 crore for bridge works and 2½ crores for other structural works.

We have examined a few construction projects in the current year and have come to the conclusion that two lines in Sind are likely to prove remunerative. One is the Sind Right Bank Feeders line from Larkana to Jacobabad and the other from Pithoro to Tando Mitha Khan. If the Standing Finance Committee for Railways approves of these projects and they are ultimately sanctioned, we shall during 1937-38 require about 30 lakhs for these two projects.

The total cost of all works included in our programme for 1937-38, if everything works up to schedule and there are no delays of any sort, will be 11½ crores, of which ½ a crore will be met from stores in stock

In For Prosperity

It will have been noticed from what I have already said that we do not propose to embark upon a large programme of expenditure or development. We do not feel that we would be justified in doing this even though there are signs that we have at least temporarily got away from the worst of the depression.

In saying this I do not wish to imply that we are making no preparations for the better times which we all hope are in prospect. We fully realise that, if traffic develops, we must be prepared to deal with it and move forward with the times. But still there are more substantial indications that we are in for a prolonged period of prosperity, it would be wise to move cautiously.

Air-Conditioned Coaches

As an example of what railways are doing to prepare for the future, I would mention one experiment we intend to try out this hot weather. I refer to our scheme to run an experimental air-conditioned coach on one of our daily mail services. These coaches are now a common feature of American Railway practice where trains run very long distances as they do in India. In fact, in America, there are many trains completely air-conditioned from end to end; our proposal is in the first instance to run one first class coach on each train of a particular service. For this purpose five coaches are now under construction. The total additional cost of the air-conditioning equipment for these five coaches is estimated at Rs. 2,40,000 and it is hoped to recover this by the imposition of a small surcharge on each ticket issued for the additional comfort provided.

Expert Committee's Assistance

This cold weather we have had the previlage of a visit from Sir Ralph Wedgwood, Chief General Manager of the London and North-Eastern Railway, together with Mr. W. A. Stanier, Chief Mechanical Engineer of the London Midland and Scottish Railway and Mr. H. Cheadle, Chief Traffic Manager, South African Railways, who have come out to India at the invitation of the Government of India to help us in finding a solution of our financial difficulties. This invitation was issued as a result of a recommendation by Sir Otto Niemeyer, reinforced by a further recommendation from the Public Accounts Committee, that there should be a general overhaul of railway finances, as it was essential, if Provincial Autonomy was to be given a fair chance of success, that steps should be taken to ensure that railways will not, in future, be a burden upon general revenues.

Sir Ralph Wedgwood and his colleagues have undertaken an extensive tour of India during which they have had discussions with all the principal railway administrations who have placed their points of view before them. They have taken the opportunity of exchanging views with officers of the various Provincial Governments on the vital problem of road-rail transport. They have also held conversations with the representatives of the principal commercial bodies throughout the country.

Assembly Questions

INDIANS IN AUSTRALIA

"No Statutory Bar To Appointment To Civil Service"

NEW DELHI: Feb. 16.

At question-time in the Assembly Sir Mahomed Zafrullah Khan replying to Mr. Bajoria's question regarding the differences between the import duty on piecegoods and that on fents, said that Government had considered the matter recently and proposed to take no action.

Enquiries show that the price of fents as compared with the price of sound goods allows fents to be sold more cheaply even after paying a higher percentage of duty. That the trade in fents from the United Kingdom had not been hampered by the difference in the duty, is shown by the fact that imports of such goods for the period April to Nov. 1936-37 rose to 4,408,553 yards from 3,835,409 yards during the same period in the previous year.

INDIANS IN AUSTRALIA.

Replying to Sardar Sant Singh's question, Sir Henry Craik stated that as far as the Government of India was aware there was no statutory bar to the appointment of a resident Indian to the Civil Service of Australia, but they had no information as to the number of Indians so employed. Government understand that Indians who possess medical degrees registerable in Great Britain are entitled to practise in Australia. As regards reciprocity the Medical Council of India is in negotiation with those States of Australia which have medical qualifications of their own. Government have no information as to whether there are any Australians practising in Medicine or other professions in India.

RAILWAY BUDGET.

In the Assembly to-day, Sir Mahomed Zafrullah presented the Railway Budget.

After the Railway Budget was introduced, Sir Girja Shankar Bajpai introduced a Bill to provide for the grading and marking of agricultural produce.

The House adjourned till February 18.—A.P.

Dacoits Upset Singing Party

Policemen Stabbed In Hot Chase

BOMBAY: Tuesday.

At the point of sword-sticks and clasp knives, four Pathans committed a sensational dacoity in the room of a singing girl at French Bridge, late last night.

After midnight there was great commotion in the locality, following a thrilling chase and an exciting struggle in which the alleged dacoits were stated to have brandished knives on the road and hurled missiles.

Two Police Constables were injured and were removed to the hospital while members of the public were kept at bay for more than an hour.

A man named Sheik Mahomed Esuf stepped out from the crowd and in his attempt to catch the Pathans, he was also stabbed.

He is now lying in the hospital.

Deputy Commissioner Kampte came on the scene and the three Pathans were arrested.

The Lamington Road Police are scouring the city to dragnet the fourth accused in the case.

Following a statement made by the three accused, the Police made four more arrests and recovered part of the property early this morning.

The names of the accused are: Anwar Esufsha, Abdul Malik, Wahid alias Noor, Shera Sabajalli, Ikbal Mohammed Gulammahomed, Abdul Wadukhan and Sardarkhan Noormahommed Khan.

Superintendent Smith, Superintendent Nayampally, Inspector Sawant, Dy. Inspector Satam, Sub-Inspector Hakim and Sub-Inspector Tonsekar are making inquiries in the case.

In applying for remand into custody of the accused at the Girgaum Police Court, to-day the Police officer stated that two singing girls named Gulahan and Gulzar were singing in their room for their customers at about 11 p.m.

Half an hour later, their singing abruptly ended, customers stood aghast and before they could raise a hue and cry, three Pathans raised their sword, sticks and clasp-knives, while the fourth after bolting the door from inside, stood as sentry at the door.

At the point of knives, the felonious intruders, took gold ornaments and relieved the customers of their four wrist watches, two gold rings and cash.

The accused made a haul of about Rs. 1,215, the Police Officer added.

Then the accused ran down the building, followed by a large crowd.

Near the Opera House the three Pathans offered a battle, in which two Police constables were injured. One of the Pathans ran off in the direction of Girgaum.

Two Pathans were subsequently captured near the French Bridge.

The fourth ran in the direction of Chowpatty and near the Tilak Statue kept a huge crowd at bay while the Police requisitioned more force and the public kept on hurling stones.

The accused was at last overwhelmed and captured.

The Magistrate after hearing the story of assault and chase ordered the accused to be remanded to custody for a period of 14 days, pending further Police inquiries.

Kashmir Maharaja's Grant To Academy Of Science

BANGALORE, Feb. 16.

It is reliably understood that His Highness the Maharaja of Kashmir has sanctioned a recurring grant of Rs 500 per annum to the Academy of Sciences, recently founded by Sir C. V. Raman.—United Press.

Sgr. Vincenzo Lancia, Italy's most famous motor-car designer, died from a stroke aged 57. He amassed a considerable fortune but always acted as his own test driver.

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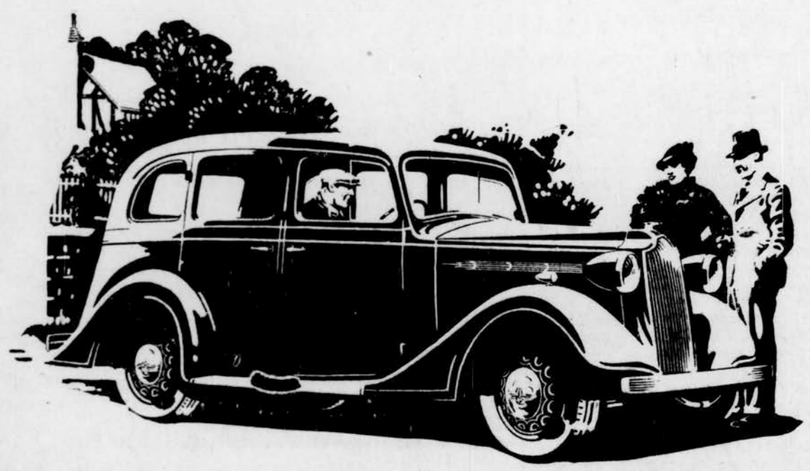

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Kumari Zubeda and Jal Merchant in "Mr. and Mrs. Bombay" at the Wellington next Saturday.

"MR. AND MRS. BOMBAY"

Next Saturday At The Wellington

(Contributed)

Here comes screen's most renowned pair Jal Merchant and Miss Zubeida in Tollywood's novel type of social picture which deals with our modern affairs in the society. The trend of fashion and blind imitation of the west are the main things around which the most appealing situation are interwoven in the most marvellous way. The story tells of a young boy and a girl studying in a college, developing a love-affair in the latter days of their education. The love-drama then develops into an appealing story of an average fashion-mad girl and boy of Bombay.

The most polished performances given by Miss Zubeida and Jal Merchant will certainly please you. The direction by Nanubhai Vakil is touching. You must make it a point to see this picture next Saturday at the Wellington Talkies released by Rao Saheb Indakumar Chandanwalla.

Bimal Kumari in "Bagh-i-Sipahi" at the Imperial

"IZZAT" REPEATS BOMBAY SUCCESS

At Poona, Allahabad, Benares And Delhi

(CONTRIBUTED).

The Bombay Talkies' picture, "Izzat," in fourth week at the Royal Opera House, has been very well received in several other cities. In Poona, Allahabad and Benares it has been running now for two weeks while this week it started at Delhi and Sholapur. At Delhi; inspite of a severe cold wave and torrential rains it is proving a big box-office draw. An enthusiastic fan has wired "Izzat finest picture Delhi (has) seen." One may, thus, expect a long run for it at other places as well as Delhi.

The broadcast programme of "Izzat" songs on Sunday proved a great success and besides, local fans, many mofussil listeners-in have written and, in some cases, wired to express their appreciation. Form of "Izzat" songs, it is learnt, have been recorded by His Master's Voice and will soon be on the market.

"THE PRESIDENT" OR "DIDI"

For Krishna Talkies

(CONTRIBUTED).

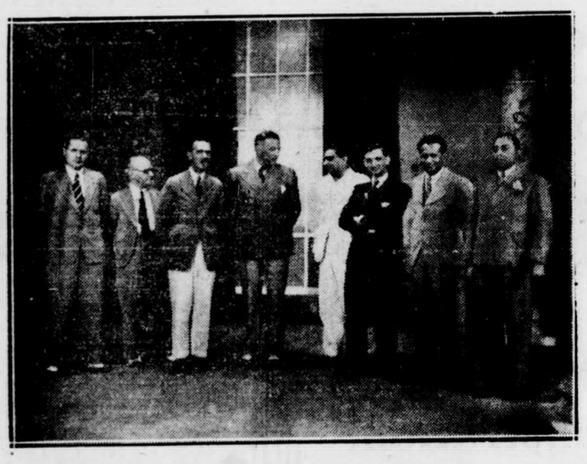
During the last week New Theatres Studio was changed into a colossal coal-mine. Everywhere you near the machines working deep into the heart of earth. Many workers, with black clothes are busy. There are scenes of disaster and fire. These sensational and stirring scenes were actually shot by the cameras for New Theatres' latest picture, "The President" or "Didi," directed by Sjt. Nitin Bose.

"The President" or "Didi" is a wonderful story of a beautiful girl, Prabhavati, the President of the Prabhavati Mills, Ltd. This novel theme dealing with modern methods of productions and the problems arising therefrom, mainly of over-production. The Director has skilfully given justice to this great theme.

You will certainly be surprised to see your favourite star Saigal in quite a novel character, with captivating Kamlesh Kumari (working as the President), Kalyani, Lila Desai and Nawab.

Those who have seen some of the shots, say that, this picture is going to be as great as "Chandidas" and 'Dhoop-Chhawn' and will bring laurels to the Director, Nitin Bose.

This New Theatres' picture will be released at the Krishna through Calcutta Film Exchange Co.



Mr. Phil Reison visits the Bombay Talkies Studio. The R. K. O. Radio Pictures is seen here with the leading lights of the studio

New Film Literature Examined

Progressive Aspects Of Drama's Modern Medium

FUTURE OF MUSIC ART, EDUCATION

(By KANAIYALAL VAKIL).

The conditions which promoted the emergence of the film "industry" in India, contributed to its monopoly profits and improvised hustle have left no chance for a rational estimate of its achievements or, what is now essential, of its future possibilities of advancement. The amazing power on mass psychology of the new dramatic medium, the almost superstitious sentimentality of a nation, mostly illiterate and the facile reproduction and imitation of subjects imported with the import of the new picture-making instruments were far too overwhelming to suggest the necessity of constructive thinking or planning out of its nation-wide possibilities—technical, economic, art or dramatic, social or political. To these initial set-backs force has been added by the romantic mental habits of the mass of intellectuals accustomed to philander. In fact, the philosophic discounting of specialised progressive knowledge tends to be one of the leading mental traits of the present generation. Consequently, it is dangerous to recommend a provocative book like the "Film Music" by Kurt London (Faber and Fabes—New Book Company, Bombay). It is dangerous to do so for clearly simple and logical reasons. The book contains suggestions mostly about orchestral music. It discusses as well the technical artistic reasons and principles which form the basis of those suggestions. And, as it has so often happened, it is more than probable that these suggestions will be picked up and employed at random by "advanced" music "directors" in Indian studios without, of course, appreciating the vitality of the artistic logic that has formulated them. The probability becomes almost a certainty when we realise that the approved exponents of "scientific" and "classical" music in India have left instrumental music and the problems of orchestra severely alone when they have not actually scorned them. For example, the author's suggestions about "orchestra and instrumentation" offer temptations which the music "director" in the Indian studios aspiring easy "advancement" could scarcely resist. The "song-hits," the "theme-song" and, worse, the "background" music, the achievements of the "advanced" Indian music "director" have been an eloquent comment on the manner in which music has been made to serve the "industry." "Background music," as it has been known and boomed in Indian studios, has laid the foundation of the career, cash and credit of a vast regiment of "advanced" musicians in Indian studios. To them, Dr. Kurt London's comments on "background music" will come as an agonising surprise. To those, however, who aspire to explore the artistic potentialities of Indian music for the sound-film, Dr. London's book would reveal avenues of fruitful research and helpful application. It is true that the obvious difference in the structure and texture of Indian and Western music would make the study of the problems peculiar to them difficult. But their common film-objectives can and should lead to an approximate enunciation of art principles and dramatic employment of music, which should be of practical and mutual help and lead to the evolution, ultimately, of truly international standards of art and culture. Dr. Kurt London's book is the first book of its kind. It is, decidedly, pioneering work. It is indispensable for all conscious of the future of one of the most dynamic of massive dramatic media and competent to shape it. It is illustrated, it is indexed and well-classified.

There is another book which I am inclined to recommend, recommend without any forebodings of danger. For, it is an informative, illustrated record of the movie drama during its comparatively, short career of a little over thirty years. It is entitled "Movie Parade" (The "Studio"—New Book Company, Bombay) and has been compiled by that versatile reviewer of film achievements, Paul Ratha. The three main aspects of the films—"Films of Fiction," "Films of Fact" and "Avant-Gorde and Trick Films"—have been further detailed and examined as Adventure and Melodrama, Comedy, Romance, Historical and Chronicle, Fantasy, Drama, Epic, News-Record and Magazine Films, Travel Films, Instructional Films, Documentary. This is the only book, it has been rightly pointed out, which 'shows' you how the films you see to-day, came about, "grew from the curiosities of 1900's, to the technical triumphs of our time." For, the book's strong point, naturally, may be perceived in the beautifully edited illustrations. The "stills" published here, reveal the evolution of the new dramatic medium of modern times. The work of nearly three hundred directors and six hundred films have been surveyed pictorially by Mr. Rotha and he has composed out the rare material, a fascinating story of the growth of the cinema.

TAGORE'S DANCE DRAMA TO BE STAGED

"Chitrangada" At The Excelsior

A troupe of students from Shantiniketan will be shortly arriving in the City to give a "Tagore season" at the Excelsior, where they will stage the Poet's famous play "Chitrangada" on February 24, 25 and 26. There will be one night show at 9-30 p.m. on Feb. 25th, and two evening shows at 6-30 p.m. on February 24 and 26.

Many will remember with gratitude the previous performances by this troupe when they staged here the Poet's two plays "Shap Mochan" and "The King of Cards." But this one, "Chitrangada," it is stated, is even superior to them in dramatic interest, music, dancing and costumes. The whole play will be presented through dance and song, the dialogue having been reduced to the minimum.

"Chitrangada" is stated to be the biggest success from Shantiniketan and has delighted packed houses in Calcutta, Jubbulpore and other places. It has also been highly appreciated by H. E. the Viceroy and other distinguished people who have had occasion to see it.

Question Of The Week

Is the Board of Film Censors in Bombay responsible to the public?

"Chitrangada" the Tagore play to be staged shortly at the Excelsior

"IMAN-FAROSH"

Next Saturday At The Globe

(CONTRIBUTED).

Every year Globe Talkies, Sandhurst Rd., have a special Id attraction in their store of attractions. The management of Globe Talkies is now in the hands of Messrs. Salehbhai, Dayabhai and Co., the firm which controls three cinemas: Laxmi, Kohinoor, Hindmata and many theatres in Surat, and now is going to reopen the Globe Talkies with Saroj Movietone's mammoth super production "Iman-Farosh."

Saroj Movietone's "Iman-Farosh" is a stirring historical drama of a Roman tyrant, whose reign is a terror to the country and the people. The reign of tyranny, culminating into terrible chaos everywhere kindles a glorious fire of revolt in the heart of Octavia, a gallant Princess, who leads her army and defeats him. There is marvellous music by Khoorshed and beautiful acting by Zebunnisa, Prabhashanker, Balabhai, Bibi etc. You must make it a point to see this stirring epic from Saroj Movietone at the Globe Talkies, next Saturday.

The dialogues, the songs and the settings are marvellous and you should never miss this picture at the Globe Talkies.

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DEVKI BOSE'S STUPENDOUS 'SONHERA-SANSAR'

For The Roxy Talkies

The creator of "Puran Bhakta"-Director Deviki Bose has given another hit of the year—"SONHERA-SANSAR." It tells of modern problem of unemployed educated young people. The story is stirring and dramatic in flow. The marvellous technique of the picture puts the picture in the front rank of present movies. It is shortly coming to ROXY.

Kamalesh Kumari in "T[illegible]" forthcoming release at the Krishna

"Izzat" at the Opera—Devika Rani and Ashok Kumar

SAGAR STUDIO NEWS

(CONTRIBUTED.)

Even in the 5th week Sagar's "Village Girl" featuring Sabita Devi and Surendra is creating a new box-office record at the Roxy Talkies. The picture has proved such a tremendous success in the city that it is bound to be appreciated all over India.

Right in the wake of "Village Girl" Sagar will be releasing "Daughter-in-Law" another Social story depicting the sacred traditions of a Hindu wife who falls a victim to some of the illogical customs prevalent amongst the Hindus. This great story is written by Mr. Kanhyalal Munshi, the famous novelist of Gujrat with Sabita Devi again in the stellar role. The picture is bound to be a big success.

In keeping with Sagar's policy of producing classic stories, that wonderful novel "Kokila" written by Ramanlal Vasantlal Desai, another famous novelist has into productions with Sabita Devi in the leading role and supported by an all star cast consisting of Shobbana, Krishna Kumari, Bibbo, Motilal and Siddiqui. The senario of this complicated story has been cleverly written by Mr. R. Goutam while Sarvottam Badami is given the charge of directing the picture.

The picture that will probably establish in a new school in the production of stunt thrillers is "Lion of Sagar" directed by Mr. Yakub. It will be soon released at the Super Talkies in Bombay and the producers expect a crowded audience for several weeks.

Director Luhar's "Captain Kirtikumar" is receiving finishing touches in the editing room while Director Mahboob's "Landlord" is being shot in the outdoors.

Not content with such a big programme the producers have started two more pictures called the "Eternal Music" to be directed by Mr. Hiren Bose and "Bijay" to be directed by Mr. K. P. Ghosh.

The Tamil branch of production has just completed "Thiya garaja", a devotional story of the popular Saint of South India. This great picture has already received several offers of purchase from South Indian Syndicates which were specially formed to purchase a classic story of this nature. Mr. Chimanlal B. Desai, the enterprising Proprietor of the Company, perhaps to celebrate his long association with the South is again pioneering in producing the first Tamil talkie in natural colours. Extensive production plans of this spectacular picture have already been taken in hand and the shooting will start somewhere in the first week of next month.

Kumari Gohar in "Flower Girl" at the West-End (Ranjit)

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OUR LONDON LETTER

(Continued from page 6)

suspect the subtle hand of diplomacy in this odd choice of a vacation. Lord Halifax is known to be much more sympathetic to Germany than Mr. Eden. Von Ribbentrop will have a friendly ear in which to pour his country's hopes."

British Feeling Towards Germany

Indications are there for those who care to watch the political movements in the country. There is no doubt that there is a pro-German section in the British Cabinet with Sir Samuel Hoare and Sir John Simon as their chief spokesmen. It is believed that they have recently opposed proposals by Mr. Eden which aimed at keeping British policy more in line with the League, and have prevented more vigorous action in making non-intervention in Spain effective. Their object would seem to be an understanding in international problems. This attitude has given foundation for the German belief that Britain may be willing to make a bargain over the former colonies. But Mr. Eden has left no doubt about his view, which has the support of most of his colleagues, on that problem.

According to another source, diplomatic disquiet has arisen in London involving Ribbentrop which may even in consequence result in the German minister not continuing in London very much longer in his present position. The central fact in the situation, according to the political correspondent of the "News Chronicle" is that the German Ambassador is no longer "persona grata" with Ministers. He has a number of influential friends in the Conservative Party, but a majority of Cabinet Ministers take the view that his political and propagandist activities in Britain and in Germany are not consonant with the usual practice of an Ambassador at the Court of St. James. It is also objected that since becoming Ambassador on August 11 of last year, Ribbentrop has been as much in Berlin as he has been in London, and, in fact, it is known in Downing Street that he took an active personal part in the preparation of Hitler's speech last Saturday to the Reichstag. Ministers resent, I am told, the fact that, when in London, Ribbentrop seems to be constantly in the society of leading Conservatives outside the Government whose avowed object is to establish an Anglo-German Alliance, on an anti-Russian and, indirectly, on an anti-French basis.

It is further authoritatively stated that there is even stronger Government objection to certain attempts which, it is believed, Ribbentrop made recently to get Lord Londonderry or some other noted Germanophile appointed to the British Embassy in Berlin in place of Sir Eric Phipps, who has been transferred to Paris. In this connection Lord Lothian's name was mentioned without, of course, his connivance. Friends of Mr. Eden are especially indignant, for much of the quiet intensive propaganda emanating from German quarters in London has been directed against him

German Broadcasts

Reports have been brought to the Government that Nazi propaganda broadcasts to Britain's colonies are full of misrepresentation. Therefore, I understand, that Whitehall officials are now listening-in to every transmission—and recording it. Powerful short-wave transmitters, built at a cost of £1,000,000, are being used by the Germans to stir up disaffection among the people of the colonies, White Hall pronouncements are distorted, in practically every broadcast the "glory" of Hitler administration is stressed. It is said that it is Dr Goebbels, the Nazis' wily Minister of Propaganda, who is behind this campaign. He has divided the world into a score of zones and attached to each one a corps of linguists and colonial specialists.

A number of M.P.s were anxious yesterday to raise questions in Parliament about the activities of Ribbentrop, the German broadcasts and other kindred matters. More particularly the M.P.s wanted to raise the question of Ribbentrop's Nazi salute to the King at Thursday's diplomatic reception. Ambassadors and Ministers were presenting their letters of credence to King George. When the turn of Ribbentrop came, he greeted the King with the outstretched arm of the Nazi salute to the great surprise of the other diplomats. The incident has since caused considerable comment in Government and diplomatic circles But it is doubtful whether the M.P.s who are anxious to raise the matter in the House will be allowed to table Parliamentary questions. The incident has assumed particular importance in view of the fact that the Cabinet regards Ribbentrop's political and propagandist activities as an infringement of usual ambassadorial custom; and—of equal importance—that a small but influential section of the Conservative Party in Ribbentrop's confidence is opposed to the stand Mr. Eden is taking for a general settlement in Europe as against a one-sided Anglo-German understanding.

PROSPECTS OF SIND MINISTRY

Congress Has Nothing To Do With It, Says Jairamdas

KARACHI: Feb. 14.

An idea as to what will be the attitude of the Congress Party in the Sind Legislative Assembly towards the question of Ministry will be gained from the following statement made by Mr. Jairamdas Doulatram, a member of the Congress Working Committee:—

"The question has yet to be decided by the All-India Congress Committee. But, whatever its decision, office acceptance by the Congress does not mean the acceptance of one or two or more ministerships, but the securing for the Congress of all the ministerships in a Province. It is only when the Congress is in a majority in a Provincial Legislature and thus able to capture all the ministerships and practically become the Provincial Government that the Congress will accept office, in case the All-India Congress Committee so decides. It is thus clear that in Sind no question can under any circumstances arise for the Congress Party in Sind to accept any ministry.

"Not only that, but the Congress Party can take no part at all in the formation of any ministry. They cannot form part of ministerial 'bloc'. Nor can they participate in any negotiations for the formation of any ministry. They stand clear-cut of all such negotiations and can lend no support whatever to any one in the formation of a ministry. Their attitude individually and jointly is to be one of strict neutrality. The formation of the Sind Ministry will be the concern of others."—United Press.

Kripalani Back At Allahabad

ALLAHABAD Feb 16.

Acharya J. B. Kripalani General Secretary of the A.I.C.C. has returned to Allahabad this morning. —United Press.

VOTE FOR MRS. DESHMUKH

Call To 'D' Ward Voters

The Propaganda Secretary of the Bombay City Congress Parliamentary Committee writes:—

Next Thursday i.e. on the 18th February, Assembly voters enrolled in the Rolls of D Ward will be called upon to elect one lady and the Congress mandate is that they shall vote for—

MRS. ANNAPURNABAI K. DESHMUKH WHOSE SYMBOL IS CHAKKI.

TO "D" WARD VOTERS!

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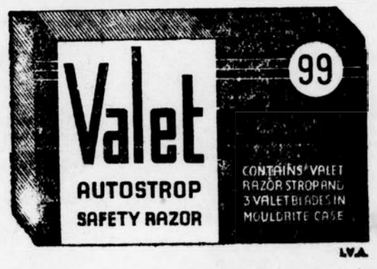

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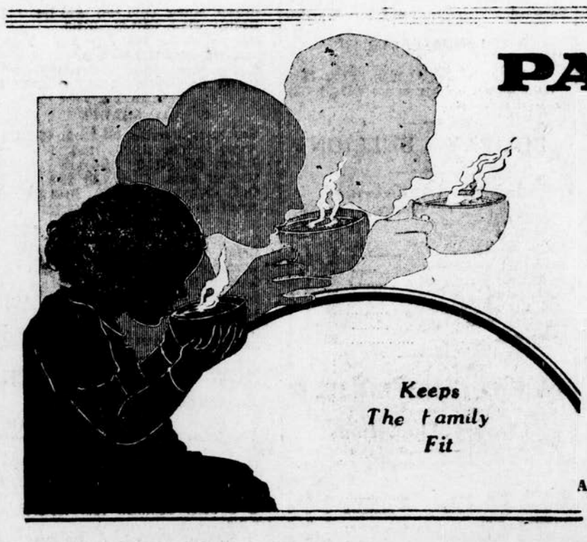

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Latest Commercial News

NEW YORK COTTON

12 POINTS DOWN

Bullion Quiet And Wheat Easy

Bombay, Feb. 16

On Tuesday cross rates ruled quiet

EASY TONE IN N. Y. COTTON

New York cotton was steady at the opening time but prices eased there after on liquidation and hedge selling. The undertone however was quiet but steady. The closing tone was easy.

BULLION QUIET.

London gold and silver were almost unchanged and the tone was quiet.

WHEAT EASY.

Wheat was easy. Jute was quiet, rubber was weak.

SELLING PRESSURE IN SECURITIES.

The London Stock market was quiet and featureless. Giltedged securities came under some pressure.

COTTON

LATEST NEW YORK COTTON PRICES

MAY 1937

New York, Feb. 16.

Previous closing	12.50
To-day's opening	12.51
Difference	plus .01
To-day's closing	12.38
Difference	—.12

LIVERPOOL COTTON

MAY 1937

Liverpool, Feb. 16.

Previous closing	6.96
To-day's opening	6.99
Difference	plus 03
To-day's closing	6.95
Difference	—.01

BROACH EXPECTATION

April May ..... Rs. 220

N. Y. COTTON MARKET

New York, Feb. 16.

Cotton was devoid of speculative interest with nothing in the day's news to stimulate demand with the result that prices somewhat gave way on scattered hedging but the undertone kept very steady.

Trading in May commenced at 12.51 i.e. 1 point higher than previous closing. Prices early kept steady but later eased on liquidation and some hedging with March falling to 12.47. At this level some good trade appeared checking further fall.

New York cotton finally closed at 12.38 with a decline of 12 points for March delivery.

NEW YORK COTTON

New York, Feb. 16.

The following were the opening ranges:—

March (12.62/12.62) 12.66/12.65
May (12.46/12.46) 12.51/12.50
July (12.31/12.30) 12.36/12.34

LIVERPOOL COTTON

Liverpool, Feb. 16.

The following were the rates at 12-15 p.m.:—

American March (6.97) 6.97
American May (6.96) 6.97
Egyptian March (9.22) 9.26
Egyptian May (9.50) 9.54

BROACH COTTON

Bombay, Feb. 16.

Broach cotton for April May delivery moved between Rs. 222-12 and Rs. 221-4 at night. The rate at 9-30 p.m. was Rs. 221-4.

LONDON MARKETS

London, Feb. 16.

The rates at 3-30 p.m. were as follows:—

TEA

Indian Pekoe (1-0 3/4) 1-0 3/4
Indian Pekoe higher (1-9) 1-4 3/4
Ceylon Pekoe (1-1) 1-1
Ceylon Pekoe higher (2-3 3/4) 2-5 3/4

JUTE

...New Crop February March (£18 13/16 sellers) £18 7/8 sellers.
Dunlop February (£22) £22
Lightning February (£20 1/4) £20 1/4 sellers.

RUBBER

Spot (10 11/16 value) 10 7/16 value.
Forward April June (10 11/16 buyers) 10 7/16 paid and buyers.

LINSEED

Castorseed Bombay February March (£13 7/8 sellers) £13 3/4 sellers
Linseed Calcutta February March (£13 7/8 sellers) £13 7/8 sellers.
Linseed La Plata January (£11 3/4) sellers.
Groundnuts Coromandal March (£14 7/8 sellers) £15 sellers.

LIVERPOOL WHEAT

Liverpool, Feb. 16.

Liverpool wheat opened quiet with March at 102 1/2 and May 104. The market on the whole showed lack of enthusiasm following disappointing overnight plate and cheaper shippers offers. There was fair volume of business put through but subsequently prices gave way under March liquidation and absence of enquiry.

Chicago Wheat

Chicago, Feb. 16

Chicago wheat opened quiet with May opening at 1.36 1/2. There was very little activity to-day in the absence of any important demand due to the lack of better foreign cables.

BROWN BOLD LINSEED

Bombay, Feb. 16.

May 1937 Delivery

(Through Bombay Grains and Seeds' Association).

	Rs. a. p.
Rates at 11-0 a.m.	7 7 6
Rates at 12-0 noon	7 7 0
Rates at 3-30 p.m.	payment
Rates at 5-0 p.m.	7 7 0

EXCHANGES

LONDON-NEW YORK CROSS RATES

Latest Quotations

T. T. NEW YORK ON LONDON

New York, Feb. 16.

Previous closing	4.89 17/32
To-day's opening	4.89 11/16
To-day's closing	4.89 11/16

T. T. LONDON ON NEW YORK

London, Feb. 16.

Previous closing	4.89 9/16
To-day's opening	4.89 9/16
To-day's closing	4.89 13/16

FRANC RATE

London, Feb. 16.

Previous closing	105.13
To-day's opening	105.13
To-day's closing	105.10

LONDON EXCHANGES

London, Feb. 16.

London exchanges opened with the sterling dollar at 4.89 9/16 and after remaining more or less unchanged improved on better demand to 4.89 13/16.

The sterling dollar crossrate closed at 4.89 13/16.

Franc opened at 105.13 and continued steady without any important change.

The sterling franc crossrate closed at 105.10.

CROSS RATES

London, Feb. 16.
3-30 p.m.

London on Bombay (1-6 1/8) 1-6 1/8
Paris on Bombay (7.942) 7.940
New York Bombay (37.00) 37.02
Berlin on Bombay (0.92) 0.92
London on Milan (93.00) 93.03
London on Shanghai (1-2 19/32) 1-2 19/32
London on Kobe (1-1 31/32) 1-1 31/32

DISCOUNTS

London, Feb. 16.

3 months (9/16 to 9/16 per cent) 9/16 to 9/16 per cent
4 months (9/16 to 5/8 per cent) 9/16 to 5/8 per cent
6 months (5/8 to 11/16 per cent) 5/8 to 11/16 per cent

LONDON METALS

London, Feb. 16.

To-day's opening rates were as follows:—

Tin (£229 3/4 sellers firm) £230 3/4 sellers. Very steady.
Lead (£27 1/16 sellers steady) £27 1/4 buyers. No sellers. Very steady.
Electrolytic Copper (£61 to £61 1/2) £62 1/2 to £63 1/2
Glasgow Iron (£87) £87

SILVER CABLES

Bombay, Feb. 16.

The following cable information was received here to-night from London.

"China small sellers. Small business. Market quiet."

LONDON SILVER

London, Feb. 16.

	Latest Prices	To-day's Prices.
Spot	20 1/8d.	20 1/16d.
Forward	20 1/8d.	20 1/16d.

LONDON GOLD

London, Feb. 16.

Gold Bars Fine per ounce (£7-2-1 1/2) £7-2-0 1/2

BOMBAY BULLION

Latest Quotations

Bombay, Feb. 16.
11-0 p.m.

	Rs. a. p.
Silver Ready	50 3 0
Silver 1st settlement	49 1 0
Silver 2nd settlement	49 4 0
Gold ready	35 3 0
Gold 1st settlement	35 2 9
Gold 2nd settlement	35 2 6
Sovereigns	22 5 6

WHEAT AND LINSEED

Closing Quotations

Bombay, Feb. 16.

	Rs. a. p.
Wheat May	5 6 9
Wheat September	5 5 6
Linseed May	7 6 9
Linseed September	7 10 9

Wheat and linseed dull.

3½ P. C. GOVT. PAPER

Closing Quotation

Bombay, Feb. 16.

The 3 1/2 per cent Govt. paper was quoted Rs. 95-7-0 at 2 p.m. The closing quotations at 5 p.m. was Rs. 95-2-0.

Fluctuations during the sessions were as follows:—

	Rs. a. p.
Opening	95 9 6
Highest	95 9 6
Lowest	94 8 0
Closing	95 2 0

INDIAN STERLING LOAN

London, Feb. 16.

The 3 1/2 per cent Indian Sterling Loan closed to-day at £92 3/4 as against the previous closing at £93.

INDIAN LOANS

London, Feb. 16.
3-30 p.m.

3 per cent New Indian Loan (£99) £98 1/2
3 1/2 per cent Indian Loan (£93 3/4) £92 1/2
4 1/2 per cent Indian Stock (1950-55) (£112 1/2) £112
4 1/2 per cent 1958-58 (£116 3/4) £115 1/2
4 per cent Indian 1948-53 (£107 1/2) £107
5 per cent Indian 1942-47 (£113-0) £113
3 1/2 per cent New Indian 1954-59 (£103 1/2) £103

AUSTRALIAN LOANS

3 per cent Australian Loan 1945-70 (£108) £107 3/8

BRITISH FUNDS

2 1/2 per cent Consols (£80 1/8) £80
3 1/2 per cent Government Loan (£103 1/2) £103 1/4
4 1/2 per cent Conversion Loan (£107 5/8) £107 3/8
5 per cent Funding Loan (£112 3/4) £112 3/8
3 1/2 per cent War Loan (£102 1/2) £102 1/4
4 per cent Victory Bonds (£111 1/4) £110 7/8

LONDON STOCK EXCHANGE

London, Feb. 16.
3-30 p.m.

Very quiet conditions prevailed all around. Coppers however wer efirm on renewed buying. Otherwise markets generally were rather undecided owing to the lack f fresh support.

INDUSTRIALS

British Celanese Second Preference (17-6) 17-6
Marks and Spencer Ordinary (88-1 1/2) 88-1 1/2
Hydro Electric 11-7 1/2) 12-1 1/2
Musical Industries (25-4 1/2) 25-0
Princhin Johnson (54-0) 55-6
Imperial Chemical (40-4 1/2) 40-4 1/2
Woolsworth Ordinary (85-0) 83-1 1/2
Realisation 1930 (98-9) 98-9
Dunlop Rubber (34-0) 34-0
Unilever Ordinary (44-4 1/2) 44-0
Ford Motors (32-9) 32-9
Cables and Wireless (£8-0) £8-0
British American Tobacco (130-0) 130-0
Carreas A (£8 3/4) £8 3/4
Imperial Tobacco Ordinary (161-10 1/2) 160-0
P and O S N Company Deferred (33-10 1/2) 30-10 1/2
Distillers (115-6) 114-9
Bredford Dyers (12-0) 12-0
British Celanese (10 1/2) 10 1/8
J and P Coates Ordinary (52-7 1/2 52-3
Courtaulds Ordinary (54-6) 54-6
Fine Cotton Spinners (13-4 1/2) 13-4 1/2
Vickers Limited Ordinary (35-9 1/2) 36-9
Inter Nickels (65-4 1/2) 65-10 1/2
Indian Iron and Steel Ordinary (53-6) 55-0
Tata Iron and Steel (£104) £104

TEA SHARES

Assam Company (19-7 1/2) 20-0
Donaro Tea)46-6) 48-9
Empire of India (31-0) 31-0

RUBBER SHARES

Anglo Dutch Rubber (43-4 1/2) 43-4 1/2
Gula Kelampong (58-9) 58-9
Rubber Plant Inv Trust (42-9) 42-9

JUTE SHARES

Barnagore (£10 1/2) £10 1/2

MINING SHARES

Nandydrug (63-1 1/2) 63-9
Burma Corporation (16-6) 16-6
Rio Tintos (£25 5/8) £27 1/4
East Rand Proprietors (81-3) 81-3
Rand Mines (£9 1/8) £9 1/8

MINE SHARES

Crown Mines (£16 1/4) £16 1/4
Gedule New (£11-0) £11-0
New Modders (£31 7/8) £31 7/8
Sub Nigel (£12 3/4) £12 1/2
Spring Mines Split Shares (40-0) 40-0
Union Corporation (£10 7/8) £10 7/8

OIL SHARES

Venezuela Persian (64-4 1/2) 65-7 1/2
Anglo Iranian (118/9) 118-9
Burma Oil (116-3) 115-0
Musical Eagle (29-10 1/2) 29-0
Shell Transport (£145) £143 3/4
Royal Dutch (£48 7/8) £48 7/8

HUME RAIL SHARES

Great Western (£60-0) £59 1/2
L and S Ordinary (£28 1/2) £29 1/2
L N E R Defd (£5 3/8) £5 3/8
Southern Dutch (£23 1/8) £22 3/4
London Paris 5 per cent (£129 1/2) £128 1/2
London Transport 'C' Stock (£96) £96

NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE

New York, Feb. 16.

The following were to-day's opening rate:—

General Motor (dol 69 5/8) dol 68 3/8
Anaconda Copper Mining (dol 55) dol 57
U S Steel Common (dol 106 3/4) dol 106 3/8
U S Steel Preference (148 3/4) unquoted.

COPPER SHARES FIRM

Japanese Bonds Well-Supported

(SPECIAL CABLE.)

London, Feb. 16.

On the Stock Exchange coppers, oils and diamonds were bought particularly first named on the strength of the metal.

Giltedged failed to hold intermittent rallies. Japanese bonds were well supported.

Among industrials India irons again featured. Courtaulds bought more optimistic dividend anticipations.

In commodities basemetals especially copper were strong on the publication of excellent statistics.

Rubber was easier in sympathy with New York.

Wheat was weak in sympathy with overseas.

Wall Street was actively irregular.

KARACHI MARKE T REPORT

Karachi, Feb. 16.

To-day's closing quotations:—

Cotton Sind March 22/1/6, May 20/11.
Punjab March 18/13/9, May 18/13.
American March 23/8/3, May 23/11/3, tone unsteady but Sind cotton American shippers buying.
Wheat March 31/1/6, July 28/12/3, tone dull
Toria February 33/15/9, March 39/2/6, May 39/10/6.
Gram July 21/5/6.
Cotton seeds March 16/12, May 17/3.

Trade Tendencies

Bombay, Feb. 16.

Messrs. M. and B. Stern have received the following cable from their Liverpool Office:—

Cotton:—"Continue feel bullish as expect further restriction crop control next season."

Copper:—"Good trade buying momentarily no surplus but ample supplies probably available later and for time being, prices could advance neighbourhood £60."

Lead:—"Statistical position strong enough warrant higher prices."

Spelter:—"Compared with other metals, consider cheap. Trade good buyers, anticipate higher."

Sugar:—"Trade expecting better demand as Cuba not eager sellers. Looks higher."

Daily Weather Report

POONA Feb. 16.

Thunderstorms have occurred locally in Southeastern Madras, Mysore South Deccan, North Madras Coast, Orrisa, Assam, and Upper Burma, Bangalore reports two inches.

Forecast.—Fairly widespread thunderstorms are likely to occur in the Peninsula and the adjoining parts of the Central Provinces. Local thunderstorms are also likely to occur in Tenasserim.—A. P.

COLABA OBSERVATORY, BOMBAY.

Summary of Meteorological Observations during 24 hours ending 8 a.m. of 16-2-1937.

Change of 8 a.m. barometer in past 24 hours —018 inches.

Temperature (dry bulb) at 8 a.m. 70.7 degrees.

Temperature (wet bulb) at 8 a.m. 65.2 degrees.

Maximum temperature during 24 hours 85.0 degrees 2.2 (above normal).

Minimum temperature during 24 hours 67.2 degrees (above normal).

Relative Humidity at 8 a.m. 73 p.c.

Direction of wind at 8 a.m. E.

OFFICIAL BAROMETER READING DATED FEG. 16.

At 8-7 a.m. local time (8-46 a.m. Indian Standard Time) and temperature 75.0 deg. F., a mercury barometer without index error at mean sea level would actually read 30.07 inches and a compensated aneroid 29.89 inches.

For correction of ships' instruments please subtract from the above official barometer reading 0.001" for every foot of elevation of the instrument above mean sea level

President Of A. I. Congress Parliamentary Board

(From Our Correspondent.)

NAGPUR, Feb. 15.

Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel President of A. I. Congress Parliamentary Board, has replied to Mr. R. S. Rulker to the effect that Dr. Khare has very strongly reported against him in connection with Mr. Rulker's attempts to persuade Congress to withdraw its nominee for Nagpur Labour seat in favour of the T. U. C candidate.

The Sardar also refers to Mr Rulker's attack on Bombay Provincial Congress Parliamentary Board and the All-India Parliamentary Board over the question of Mr. Joglekar's candidature from "E" and "F" Wards in Bombay and adds that unless Mr. Rulker publicly withdraws these unjustified attacks he is not prepared to consider the question of withdrawing the Congress nominee for Nagpur Labour seat.

RESERVE BANK OF INDIA

An account pursuant to the Reserve Bank of India Act, 1934, for the week ending on the 12th day of February, 1937.

ISSUE DEPARTMENT.

LIABILITIES—	Rs.
Notes held in the Banking Department	10,65,58,000
Notes in circulation	197,43,99,000
Total Notes issued	208,09,57,000
Total Liabilities	208,09,57,000

Ratio of Total of A to Liabilities: 58.498 per cent.

ASSETS.—	
A Gold Coin and Bullion:—	
(a) Held in India	41,55,19,000
(b) Held outside India	2,66,98,000
Sterling Securities	77,30,98,000
Total of A.	121,73,15,000
B. Rupee Coin	61,99,07,000
Govt. of India Rupee Securities	24,37,35,000
Total Assets	208,09,57,000

Statement of the Affairs of the Reserve Bank of India, Banking Department as on the 12th February 1937.

LIABILITIES—	Rs.
Capital paid up	5,00,00,000
Reserve Fund	5,00,00,000
Deposits:—	
(a) Government x	10,77,78,000
(b) Banks	17,75,85,000
(c) Others	41,95,000
Bills Payable	6,80,000
Other Liabilities	74,42,000
Rupees	39,76,80,000

x Includes £69,000 held in London on account of the High Commissioner converted at 1s. 6d. to the rupee.

ASSETS.—	
Notes	10,65,58,000
Rupee Coin	3,77,000
Subsidiary Coin	2,52,000
Bills Discounted:—	
Balances held abroad*	21,04,60,000
Other Loans and Advances	1,35,000
Investments	7,57,40,000
Other Assets	41,58,000
Rupees	39,76,80,000

*Includes Cash and Short term Securities.

MUMBADEVI TEMPLE DISPUTE

Settlement In High Court Suit

Mr. Justice Kania at the High Court heard the suit filed by Rao Bahadur Chunilal Harilal Setalvad against Pandurang Ramrao Tanak and others.

The plaintiffs, by this suit, sought to remove certain encroachments, which defendants No. 1 and No. 2 were alleged to have put up in the open courtyard opposite the Mumbadevi Temple on Shaikh Memon Street.

The plaintiffs are the Trustees of the Temple and the shrine of Hanumanji and the properties appertaining to them. Defendants 1 and 2 were managing the temple of Murlidharji and defendants 3, 4 and 5 were managing other temples. All these temples were in the same compound, and the space in front of the temples was kept open for the common use of the temples and devotees.

PLAINTIFFS' CASE.

It was stated by the plaintiffs that in 1929 the first and second defendants erected two cowsheds and a structure in a portion of the open court-yard opposite Mumbadevi Temple. This cowshed and this structure, the plaintiffs submitted, were an encroachment and amounted to an ouster or dispossession of the plaintiffs and defendants 3 to 5.

SETTLEMENT.

In this suit the parties came to a settlement under which it was agreed that the courtyard was a common property and the plaintiffs were entitled to use the same in common with all the defendants and devotees. Except for this portion, defendants 1 and 2 were to remove all encroachments and structures and were restrained from erecting any other structures in the courtyard or from encroaching on the same.

KILLICK'S RAILWAY AGENCY. AUDITED RETURNS OF TRAFFIC.

	For Nov. 1936.	Increase+ Decrease— when compared with Nov. 1935.		Increase+ Decrease— when compared with corresponding period of previous year.
			From 1-1-36 to 30-11-36	
Tapti Valley Ry.	1,97,692	—17,007	22,62,106	—1,31,846
Ahmedabad Prantij Railway	73,303	+ 1,143	9,07,532	+ 78,720
Guzerat Railways	29,697	+ 2,631	From 1-4-36 to 30-11-36	+ 41,207
			2,88,662	
			From 1-10-36 to 30-11-36	
Central Prov. Rlys.	31,538	— 9,486	55,428	— 19,558
Mandra Bhon Rly.	15,836	+ 1,261	31,998	+ 2,375
Sialkot Narowal Ry.	41,186	+ 1,421	80,799	+ 1,122

SHIPPING NEWS

Exports And Imports

ARRIVALS.

Bombay, Feb. 16.

Scindia ss Jalabala of 2211 reg tons Capt. H McMullan arrived on 15th inst. from Rangoon via Colombo, Cochin and Marmagoa with general cargo.

B I S N ss Goalpara of 3216 reg tons, Capt. A C Miller arrived on 15th inst. from Bassein via Rangoon, Colombo, Malabar Coast Ports and Cannanore with general cargo.

B I S N ss Gazana of 3191 reg tons Capt. E S Kingcome arrived on 15th inst. from Rangoon via Galle Colombo, Trivandrum, Cochin, Calicut and Cannanore with rice and general cargo.

British Hired Transport ss Somersetshire of 5924 reg tons Capt. J E Cullen arrived on 15th inst. from Southampton via Portsaid Port Sudan and Aden with Military officer and troops.

DEPARTURES

Bombay, Feb. 16.

Killick ss City of Christania of 3031 reg ton Capt. G V Harris sailed for Manchester via Karachi with local cargo

B I S N ss Bamora of 1870 reg tons Capt. W F Putt sailed for Basra via Verawal, Kathiawar, Coast Ports and Karachi with passengers and local cargo

LOADING

Bombay, Feb. 16.

The following steamers were booked for Loading on 16-2-37.

S S Liverpool Maru (OSR) for China, Japan Ports via Penang and Singapore.

S S Mayebashi Maru (NYK) for China, Japan Ports via Karachi.

S S Castalia (Gr. Trdg.) for Europe and American Ports via Verawal, Bedi Br. and Karachi.

S S City of Adelaide (K N) for Dunkerk Antwerp via Portsaid and Karachi

Vessels In Docks

ALEXANDRA DOCK

Bombay, Feb. 16.

1 City of Benares 6720 Karachi 20-2 K N
6 Mayebashi Maru 4321 Karachi 23-2 N Y K
11 City of Christiania 3031 Karachi 16-2 K N
14 Karanja 4646 Durban 17-2 M M
15 Nalgora 4101 Antwerp 17-2 M M
17 Viceroy of India 10027 London 20-2 M M

VICTORIA DOCK

2 Jalapadma 2326 Rangoon 20-2 Scindia
3 Bamora 1870 P Gulf 17-2 M M
4 Vasna 2026 Busra 18-2 M M
6 Goalpara 3216 N F N F M M
15 Indira 278 M Coast 16-2 Malabar Steamship

PRINCE'S DOCK

B Gazana 3191 N F N F M M
C/R Jalabala 221 N F 20-2 Scindia.

STEAMERS EXPECTED

FROM LONDON

Ranchi 18-2 P & O
Comorin 25-2 P & O
Strathmore 4-3-37 P & O
Kaisar-i-Hind 11-3-37 P & O
Warfield 18-2-37 M M

FROM LIVERPOOL

Clan Macindoe 23-2-37 Finlay
City of Canterbury 27-2-37 Killick
Castalia 17-2-37 Grahams T
Elysia 8-3 Graham Trading

FROM FALMOUTH

Manela 19-2-37 M M

FROM GERMANY

Ratenfels 17-2-37 Lionel E
Weissenfels 18-2-37 Lionel E
Aludra 19-2-37 Lionel E
Leibenfels 26-2-37 Lionel E

FROM OSLO

Tijuca 16-2-37 Lionel E

FROM NEW YORK

City of Eastbourne 24-2-37 F F
Fairfield City 19-2-37 M M

FROM GENOA

Dondola 20-2-37 Triestino
Conte Verde 24-2-37 L Triestino

FROM TRIESTE

Hilda 20-2 L Triestino

FROM CHINA AND JAPAN

Calcutta Maru 19-2-37 N Y K
Bangalore 14-2-37 M M
Ginyo Maru 1-3-37 N Y K
Liverpool Maru 21-2-37 O S K
Shunko Maru 23-2-37 O S K
Hague Maru 26-2-37 O S K

FROM SYDNEY

Mooltan 27-2 P and O.

FROM DURBAN

Takliwa 20-2 M M

FROM JAVA

Silverpine 26-2-37 Vol Bros

FROM CALCUTTA

Gurna 25-2-37 M M
Gamaria 17-2-37 M M

FROM RANGOON

Crenfild 23-2 M M
Go'conda 20-2-37 M M

FROM JEDDAH

Jehangir 16-2-37 T M
Alavi 18-2-37 T M

FROM BASRA

Baroda 18-2-37 M M
Varsova 20-2 M M
Barala 25-2-37 M M
Watenfels 23-2 M M
Varela 27-2 M M

SAILING DATES

FOR LONDON

Nalgora 17-2-37 M M
Viceroy of India 20-2 P & O
Mooltan 27-2 P & O
Bangalore 16-2-37 M M
Strathmore 6-3-37 P & O

FOR LIVERPOOL

Castalia 27-2-37 Grahams
City of Benares 8-3-37 Killick

FOR TRIESTE

Conte Rosso 2-3 L Triestino

FOR NEW YORK

City of Ripon 3-2-37 F F
City of Eastbourne 26-2-37 F F

FOR CHINA AND JAPAN

Calcutta Maru 28-2-37 N Y K
Mantai Maru 28-2-37 O S K
Liverpool Maru 28-2-37 O S K
Conte Verde 24-2 L Triestino
Ranchi 19-2-37 P & O

FOR BASRA

Baroda 24-2 M M
Vasna 18-2-37 M M

FOR JEDDAH

Alavi 20-2-37 T M

FOR SYDNEY

Comorin 25-2 P & O

FOR KARACHI

Mayebashi Maru 23-2-37 N Y K
Weissenfels 23-2-37 Lionel E
City of Benares 20-2 K Nixon
Naringa 16-2 M M

FOR DURBAN

Karanja 17-2-37 M M
Takliwa 3-3-37 M M
Kanya 17-3-37 M M

FOR MAURITIUS

Jehangir 18-2-37 T M

FOR RANGOON

Jalpadama 20-2 Scindia.

GENERAL LANDING DATES

S S Salawati 11-2-37
S S Jalavihar 11-2-37
S S City of Johannesburg 11-2-37
S S Moncalieri 11-2-37
S S Vita 12-2-37
S S Ormara 12-2-37
S S Strathnaver (boats) 12-2-37
S S Janaki 12-2-37
S S Dayawati 12-2-37
S S Kalavati 12-2-37
S S Victoria 12-2-37
S S City of Rayville 13-2-37
S S Naringa 13-2-37
S S Indira 13-2-37
S S Victoria Marie 13-2-37
S S Netravati 13-2-37
S S Bamora (boats) 13-2-37
S S Hashemi 15-2-37
S S Jalapadma 15-2-37
S S Mongolia (boats) 15-2-37
S S Vasna 15-2-37
S S Sonavati 15-2-37
S S Parvati 15-2-37

Exports

Bombay, Feb. 16.

S S Viceroy of India for London: 400 bags kardi seed R Ratilal; 52 ds. castor seeds Greaves Cotton 23 cases Indian bristles Currumsy Damji; 1727 bags gr. kernels S M Rajgor; 214 bags kang grain S M Rajgor; 700 bags gr. in shell S M Rajgor; 20 bags heena powder D Abraham; 37 bales cotton reegs J Esmail; 96 bales skins Grindlay; 200 cases cashew kernels A P Gupta; 10 cases cardamoms A P Gupta; 924 bags myrabollams J Moolchand; 200 bags gr. kernels M Bhuta; 186 bags gr. nuts B Balwant; 1000 bags gr. cake K Dewchand; 268 bags gr. kernels K M Nathoo; 98 bags kang grain K Dewji 38 bags goat skins D Abraham; 34 bags metal scrap and borings G Gabriel.

For Marseilles: 170 bags dill seed B Balwant; 1400 bags castor seed The Cotton Agents; 5 cases sandal wood oil S Nowroji; 500 bales cotton Vakharia.

For Halifax: 50 pkts. gr seed kernels R Ratilal.

For Islanbul 70 bales cotton yarn R Shantilal.

For St. Johns: 500 pkts gr. seed kernels R Ratilal.

For Peracus: 1185 bags linseed R Ratilal.

S S Castalia for Marseilles: 25 bales cotton waste G M Vyas.

For Liverpool: 230 bales cotton waste oily G M Vyas; 20 bales cotton old ropes G M Vyas 2560 bags gr oil cake A Omarally; 1300 bags gr oil cake Cotton Agent; 1185 bales L seed Cotton Agent.

For Glasgow: 3640 bags gr oil cake and meal L Dryfus; 134 ds. magnesium chloride P Magnisia Works; 76 ds. manganere ore Sh. Syndicate; 192 bags gr. oil A Oomerbhai; 1336 bags massoor Ralli Bros; 76 ds. gr oil A Oomer

City of Benaras for Glasgow: 1947 bags gr. oil cake A Oomarally; 1000 bags masoor R Ratilal; 1400 bales gr. oil cake F H Kassam.

For Philadelphia: 44 bags goat skins D Abraham.

For Liverpool: 100 bales wool raw The Eastern Wool Td Co.; 300 bales manganere oil Sh. Syndicate; 192 bags gr. in shell G Gokalchand; 125 bales cotton N Nagsee; 60 bales cotton Langly; 1120 bales gr. oil cake J L Khandwalla.

For Marseilles: 115 bales cotton B Carsandas.

C. of Adelaide For Antwarp; 55 bales cotton fls. L O Vora; 100 bales cotton fly. V P Maskai; 550 bales cotton Japan Cotton Tr. Co; 384 bales cotton A Paddar; 605 bales cotton B Carsandas.

For Dunkerk: 440 bales cotton Japan Cotton Tr. Co; 124 bales cotton A Podar;

For Ghent: 55 bales cotton A Podar; 885 bales cotton B Carsandas.

Liverpool Maru for Osaka: 220 trs. iron scrap Faiz; 500 bales cotton T M Kaisha.

For Kobe: 300 tons iron scrap G Gabrial.

S S Mayebashi Maru for Osaka: 300 bales coton Kotak; 300 bales cotton Ralli Bros; 600 bales cotton R Kanji; 500 bds. metal scrap Faiz; 300 bales cotton G K Kaisha; 200 bales cotton N Nagsee; 100 bales cotton A Khimji; 300 bales cotton V Ladha;

For Yokohama: 200 bales cotton N Nagsee

For Yokkaichi: 250 bales cotton Ralli Bros; 105 tons iron scrap G Abdalhusain 300 bales cotton Japan Cotton Tr. Co. 300 bales cotton G K Kaisha

For Nagasaki: 200 bales cotton Ralli Bros.

For Kobe: 1000 bales cotton Langly; 700 bales cotton A Khimji; 600 bales cotton M Amersey.

For Kobe: 250 tons old iron scrap A Popatlal; 1500 bales cotton Japan Cotton Trdg.; 400 bales cotton K Dewchand 100 bales cotton N Futehally; 50 bales cotton Ralli Bros; 100 bales cotton Habib; 200 bales cotton Kotak; 300 bales cotton K M Nathoo; 300 bales cotton V Ladha; 400 bales S. R Tulshan; 100 bales cotton S J David; 400 bales cotton G K Kaisha 300 bales cotton N Manilal 100 bales cotton Cotton Agent 500 bales cotton S Karamshi; 1347 bales N Nagshi; 200 bales cotton The Nisshoo 600 bals cotton A Podar;

For Nagoya: 290 bales cotton Japan Cotton Trading.

For Kobe/Osaka: 5000 bales cotton T M Kaisha.

City of Christinia for Manchester: 1000 bales cotton K Dewchand; 100 bales cotton B Carsandas.

Imports

Bombay, Feb. 16.

S S Thames Maru Agents OSK from Tokyo, Yokohama, Yokkaichi, Osaka, Kobe: 163 cases clock; 340 cases art. s yarn; 24 cases stalunery; 282 cases e tiles; 277 cases por ware; 139 cases gl. bottles; 281 cases cottons 72 bales cotton 99 cases class ware; 71 case machinery and parts; 316 cases glass bangles; 47 cases sp silk yarn; 36 cases r goods; 40 cases art silk; 233 cases c a s fents; 49 bales cotton fents; 105 cases candles; 62 cases app. hosiery; 22 cases buttons; 95 cases ply wood; 25 cases c board boxes 53 cases cycle and parts; 57 cases e yarn; 52 bales cotton yarn 20 bales raw silk; 811 cases c r silks; 39 cases silks; 174 cases window glass.

From Singapore: 1227 bags betel nuts; 12 bags white pepper; 4313 bags sago flour; 25 bags sago seed; 25 bds. pine apples; 281 bales rattans; 88 bags gum.

From Canton: 600 bales cassia; 59 cases wet preserves; 50 bags sugar candy.

From Colombo: 36 bags tea.

Inactive Trading In N. Y. Cotton Market

OPERATORS AWAIT WASHINGTON DEVELOPMENTS

Good Demand For Old Crop Months

Bombay, Feb 16

On Monday the New York cotton futures market refused to commit itself pending developments in Washington in connection with loan differentials and other legislation.

The market opened steady but trading was inactive. Trade demand however was quiet good for old crop months with co-operative brokers on the buying side and offerings were light.

Hedge selling was of a small volume. There was some selling of late months against purchases of cotton oil but new outside interest was negligible and the tone of the market was steady.

REUTER'S WEEKLY REVIEW

Near months eased on more active March liquidation but new crop positions kept steady on the prospects of more stringent crop control measures.

Mr. Wallace's (the Secretary for Agriculture) recommendations before a conference of farm leaders were much discussed. However, since much of this legislation would be dependant on more liberal interpretation by the Supreme Court of the previously invalidated laws, the fight on the judicial reform is awaited as an indication whether the farm programme will follow.

The trade buys loan cotton sparingly. First sales were reported to Germany under the barter plan which is expected eventually to move 150,000 to 200,000 bales.

Despite the prospective farm legislation, buyers of new crop months were reserved on expectations of an acreage increase from 8 to 10 per cent and the belief that a larger production will be favoured this year to build up normal granary supplies.

Textile markets were quieter and buyers remained cautious. Meanwhile a narrow market is expected pending clarification of the uncertainties in Washington.

NEW YORK MARKET

The market opened unchanged with May 12.46 but under scattered selling prices declined 2 points from the opening level and May was quoted 12.44 which was the lowest level for the day. Later on prices improved 6 points on trade support and May was quoted 12.50 which was the highest level The market was steady for near months but distant positions were easy. The market closed at a rise of 4 points to a decline of 2 points. Spot cotton prices improved 4 points at 13.15 c. per lb.

NEW ORLEANS MARKET

The New Orleans cotton futures market was quiet but steady and closed at a rise of one point to a decline of one point. Spot cotton prices closed unchanged at 13 cents.

LIVERPOOL MARKET

The Liverpool cotton futures market opened at a decline of 2 points with May 6.98. There was hedging and Bombay selling. Offtake was poor. Later on hedging against outside growths appeared with local liquidation and the market closed at a decline of 4 points. Middling American Spot cotton prices were 6 points down at 7.22d.

EGYPTIAN COTTON

Business was restricted and fluctuations were narrow. Sakels futures declined 2 points while Uppers were 2 to 3 points down.

ALEXANDRIA MARKET

The Alexandria cotton futures market was quiet with increased selling. Sakels futures closed 2 to 6 points down and Ashmouni futures lost 6 to 11 points.

BULLISH STATISTICS

The Cotton Trade Journal states:—"Statistics from the cotton mills of the United States continue to be of the great interest, for they show that the manufacturing end of the industry is in the most constructive position it has enjoyed in years. It is a sellers' market in cotton goods and we have seen estimates from authoritative sources that the mills already have sold about one-third of their entire probable output for 1937. It would be difficult to review the mill situation more briefly or more satisfactorily. Not only is the mill situation in this country highly satisfactory, but it is getting to be equally satisfactory in foreign countries."

PRIVATE CABLES—

New York May highest 12.50 plus 04 (12-11 a.m.)

New York May lowest 12.44 —02 (10-10 a.m.)

Liverpool May highest 6.99 —01

Liverpool May lowest 6.96 —04

Messrs. Chunilal Mehta and Co. Ltd. have received to-day the following cable information from their foreign friends:

Liverpool: Quiet and featureless market. Indian selling. Outside growths hedging. Bullish.

Liverpool: Market largely professional with little outside interest. 'Long' interest appears to be small. The uncertainty as to Government intervention presses on the market.

New York: Market small with mostly straddles. Trade bought on scale. Hedging light. Spot house bought March and sold July.

Messrs. Devkaran Nanjee have received the following telegrams from their foreign friends:

Liverpool: 'Think prices may decline still further temporarily. But do not look for wide fluctuations. Have a favourable opinion of the market in the long run.'

New York: (1) 'Supported by good trade demand. Fixing of buyers' call. Undertone better.

(2) "Present domestic consumption and exports indicate end of season free bales of cotton 800,000 only plus loan releases."

NEW YORK COTTON

New York, Feb 15

March	12.65 plus 04
May	12.50 plus 04
July	12.23
October	11.99[illegible]—01
December	11.85—02
January	11.84—02
Middling Spot	13.15 plus 04

NEW ORLEANS COTTON

New York, Feb 15

March	12.55—
May	12.44—01
July	12.31 plus 01
Middling Spot	13.00—

NEW YORK

New York, Feb 15

11-00 A.M. RANGES—

March	12.62/12.62
May	12.49/12.48
July	12.34/12.34

NOON CALL—

March	12.62
May	12.48
July	12.34

NEW YORK COTTON DAILY STATISTICS

New York, Feb '5

Day's receipts at all U S Ports	22,000 bales
Day's exports to Great Britain	5,000 bales
Day's exports to the Continent	10,000 bales
Day's exports to China and Japan	10,000 bales

LIVERPOOL COTTON

Liverpool, Feb 15

February	6.96—04
March	6.96—04
April	6.96—04
May	6.96—04
June	6.94—04
July	6.92—04
August	6.76—04
September	6.66—04
October	6.59—04
November	6.55—04
December	6.54—94
January	6.52—04
Middling Spot	7.22—06

10-12 a.m. quotations.

March	6.99
May	6.98

EGYPTIAN COTTON

Liverpool, Feb 15

F G F SAKELLARIDIS—	
February	9.25
March	9.25
May	9.53
July	9.55
September	9.55
F G F SPOT	9.77

INDIAN COTTON

Liverpool, Feb 15

BROACH—	
Fully Good (good staple)	5.68
Fine (good staple)	5.83
Superfine (good staple)	5.98
OOMRA—	
Fine (No. 1 staple)	5.70
Superfine (No. 1 staple)	5.85
Choice (No. 1 staple)	6.00
BENGAL—	
Good	4.59
Fully Good	4.69
Fine	4.81

AMERICAN COTTON FIGURES.

F.P. Bales.	1936-37	1935-36
Receipts to date 15-2-37	5670000	6174000
Receipts Yesterday 15-2-37	22000	14000
Exports to date 15-2-37	3853000	4417000
Stock at Ports 12-2-37	2294000	2477000
Stock at Interior Towns 12-2-37	1952000	2158000
Stock at Liverpool 12-2-37	906000	699000
Visible Supply 12-2-37	5851000	6357000
Quantity in sight 12-2-37	10782000	10490000
Quantity out of sight 12-2-37	8183000	7239000

LINSEED OIL

London, Feb 15

Linseed Oil naked London per cwt February paid and value 26/10 1/2

Linseed Oil naked London per cwt February August paid and value 27/1 1/2

LONDON SEEDS

London, Feb 15

Linseed La Plata Hull C.I.F. February sellers £11-15-0

Linseed Calcutta London C.I.F. February March sellers £13-17-6

Linseed Bombay London C.I.F. February March sellers £14-2-6

Rapeseed Toria Hull/Cont C.I.F. February March sellers £13-15-0

Castorseed Bombay Hull C.I.F. February March sellers £13-17-6

Alexandria Cotton

Alexandria, Feb 15

SAKELS—

March 17.84—02

May 17.70—06

ASHMOUNI—

February 14.21—11

April 14.06—10

GIZA—

March 15.81—09

November 15.71—07

Cotton Arrivals

Receipts into Bombay on 12th February 18,676 bales

Receipts into Bombay to date since 1-9-1936 1,577,757 bales

Receipts into Bombay same time last season 1,135,668 bales

Increase 442,089 bales

Osaka Sampin

Osaka, Feb 16

February	255.5[illegible] —10
April	248.50 —40
May	247.50 —70
June	247.50 —70
August	248.10 plus 20

Osaka Cotton

Osaka, Feb 16

March	75.10
April	75.50

BOMBAY COTTON

Bombay, Feb 16

In the absence of any important buying the local cotton market ruled easy. It appears that operators are inclined to take a bearish view of the situation and prices are seeking lower levels. It remains to be seen what will be low level but sellers are cautious.

Despite a small rise of 4 points in New York cotton futures the local market opened quiet at Rs. 223/12 for Broach A/M delivery and declined to Rs. 222/12. The tone of the market was easy.

Liverpool market was due to open one point up but it opened steady at a rise of 3 points. The local market was quiet but steady and closed at 5-30 p.m. as under:—

	Rs.	a.	p.
Broach A/M.	222	8	0
Broach J/A	225	0	0
Oomra March	204	8	0
Oomra May	204	4	0
Bengal March	178	8	0
Bengal May	178	8	0

Cotton Room Rates

Bombay, Feb. 16.

	Extra Spr-fine	Sup	Fine	FG	Good
M. G.—					
Bengal U. P.	...	186	183	180	177
Punjab	...	186	183	180	177
Oomra No. 3	213	210	207	204	...
C.P. No. 1	225	222	219	216	...
C.P. No. 2	217	215	211	208	...
Broach No. 2	...	226	224	222	220
Khandesh	206	203	200	197	...

READY COTTON SALES.

Bombay, Feb. 16.

100 A Damodar Arvi 206 3/4

75 A Damodar Chopda 195

50 A Damodar Pandurna 206 3/4

150 A Poddar Sindhurni 3 off

118 A Poddar Hansi 4 1/2 on

50 Japan Cotton Khachroad 203 3/4

55 Bombay and Co. Hingoli 2 1/2 on

80 Volkart Bros Nasirabad 182

34 S. J. Devid Sawjin 65 on

55 Narshi Nagshi Nandura 208 1/2

115 Narshi Nagshi Akot 208

100 Narshi Nagshi Raman 180 1/2

51 Raghuvanshi Mill Nasirabad 182 1/2

Ready Cotton Quotations

Bombay, Feb. 16.

Bengal Superfine	184/86
Bengal Fine	181/83
C.P. 1	218/20
C.P. 2	211/13
Arvi	211/13
Ellichpur	210/12
Berar	207/09
Khamgaon	207/10
Mulkapur	207/09
Khandesh	202/04
Jalna/Sailu	202/04
Burwah Sanavad	207/11
Broach Fine	222/24
Punjab/American	218/28
Sind, N.T.	258/63
Punjab 289 F.	273/78
Jagadia-Ankleshwar	253/55

Indian Cotton Figures

Bombay, Feb. 16.

RECEIPTS INTO BOMBAY.

Since 1st Sept.

In full-pressed Bales.

	13-2-37	This year.
Khandesh	2,191	182,757
Central India	3,000	236,233
Barsi and Nagar	291	121,967
Hyderabad-Gaorani	87	56,850
Berar	458	409,584
Central Provinces	141	88,823
Total Oomras	6,168	1,096,214
Dholera	1,069	22,427
N.-W. Provinces	...	5(411
Rajputana	724	39,317
Sind-Punjab	3,269	224,624
Broach	3,131	34,672
Coompta and Dharwar	...	11,694
Westerns-Northerns	205	13,577
Cocoanada	...	124
Tinnevelly and Cambodia	...	2,843
Persian	...	10
American	...	3,692
Egyptian and African	2,452	140,165
Comilla, Burma and other sorts	...	5
Total	17,018	1,594,775

Exports From Bombay

1st Sept. to 11th Feb.

In full-pressed Bales.

	Yesterday	This year
Europe	980	193,200
Japan and China	200	718,214
Coast Ports	...	10,060
Up-country by Rail	...	112,637
Afloat in harbour for Europe China and Japan	...	35,590
Total	1,180	1,069,701

Cotton Straddles

APPROXIMATE DIFFERENCES

New York Liverpool: March 157 May 172 July 181 at cross rate 4.89 17/32

Bombay Liverpool: Broach A/M 1937 224 Liverpool May 6.97 Rs. 79 1/2 at exchange 1/6

Bombay Liverpool: Broach J/A 226/8 Liverpool July 6.93 Rs. 75 at exchange 1/6

Bombay New York: Broach A/M 1937 224 New York May 12.50 Rs. 60 at cross rate 4.89 17/32

Bombay New York: Broach J/A 1937 226/8 New York July 12.33 Rs. 53 1/2 at cross rate 4.89 17/32

High And Low Cotton Prices

Bombay, Feb 15

Broach A/M 1937 opening 224; highest 224 1/4; lowest 223 1/4; closing 223 1/4

Broach J/A opening 227; highest 227; lowest 225 3/4; closing 225 3/4

Oomra March opening 205 1/2; highest 205 1/2; lowest 205; closing 205

Oomra May opening 205 1/2; highest 205 1/2; lowest 205; closing 205

Bengal March opening 180; highest 180; lowest 178 3/4; closing 178 3/4

Bengal May opening 179 3/4; highest 179 3/4; lowest 178 1/2; closing 178 1/2

Tejimandi for Broach A/M Settlement (21-2-37) Rs. 2 1/4

Tejimandi for Broach A/M (31-3-37) Rs. 6 1/2

Tejimandi for Broach J/A (30-6-37) Rs. 15 1/2

LONDON PRODUCE

London, Feb 15

Wheat Rozario Santa Fe	
February March sellers	40/1 1/2
Wheat Barletta Russo	unquoted
Wheat South Australian	
February sellers	44

GOLD AND SILVER

Bombay, Feb 16

Yesterday London gold prices declined one point at £7-2-1 1/2. London Paris Exchange rate was 2 points down at 105.13. Dollar sterling cross rate was 4.89 17/32. London silver market was quiet but steady and quotations were unchanged at 20 1/8d. New York silver was unchanged at 44 3/4 cents and Montreal silver futures were unchanged. Shanghai T T on London was quoted 1-2 9/16.

In the absence of any important business prices fluctuated within a narrow range in the local silver market while gold was quietly steady.

GOLD

	Rs.	a.	p.
Ready	35	2	9
Magh delivery	35	2	9
Magh tejimandi	0	2	0
Fagan delivery	35	2	9
Fagan tejimandi	0	4	6

SILVER

Ready	50	4	0
Magh delivery	49	3	6
Magh tejimandi	0	10	0
Fagan delivery	49	6	0
Fagan tejimandi	1	6	0

Montreal Silver

Montreal, Feb 15

February 44.80—

March 44.75

May 44.75

LONDON SILVER

London, Feb 15

Spot	20 1/8
Forward	20 1/8

LONDON GOLD

London, Feb 15

Gold Bars Fine per ounce ... £7-2-1 1/2

Bombay Metals

Bombay, Feb. 16.

London Market.—	
Standard Copper Cash (Buyers)	£56/15/0
Standard Copper 3 month	£56/17/6
Electrolytic copper	£61/10/0
New York.—	
Blue Eagle	13.40 cents.
Non-Blue Eagle	13.10 cents.
Bombay Market.—	
Yellow Metal Sheets	Rs. 41/8/0
Copper Sheets	Rs. 53/2/0

Tone:—Firm.

LINSEED AND WHEAT

Bombay, Feb. 16.

Our market was quiet. There was increased selling in Linseed while wheat market was steady on fears of killing frost in Canada and deficit in moisture to-day's quotations were as under:—

	Rs.	a.	p.
Linseed May	7	6	9
Linseed September	7	10	3
Wheat May	5	7	0
Wheat September	5	6	0

Wheat Liverpool

Liverpool, Feb. 15.

March 103d.

May 104 1/2d.

July 105 1/2d.

Wheat Chicago

Chicago, Feb. 15.

May dol 1.37 1/8

July dol. 1.19 1/8.

September dol. 1.14 3/8.

New York Sugar

New York, Feb. 15.

May 2.63 plus 1.

July 2.63 plus 1.

September 2.63 plus 1.

November 2.63 plus 1.

Bombay Sugar

Bombay, Feb. 16.

	Rs.	a.	p.
Ready Javas	13	3	0
Shipment Feb-March	4	5	0
Shipment July-Sept.	4	7	0
Kesar	11	7	0
Saraya	11	0	0
Java Spot	F.	5.35	

Produce Receipts

Bombay, Feb. 16.

	Cwts.
Wheat	4,105
Linseed	1,350
Rape, Rai and Mustardseeds	520
Gingellyseed	1,471
Groundnuts	17,570
Castorseed	3,419
Rice	26,669
Myrabollams	6,398
Cottonseed	13,578
Gram	128
Joowar	194
Barley	433
Bajree	286
Indian Sugar	2,776
	Tons.
Coal	1,221

SHRI MAHAJAN ASSOCIATION LTD.

The following rates prevailed in the market on 16th day of February 1937.

BROACH FULLY GOOD QUALITY.

	VAIDAS. Apr-May 1936-37
10-30	Rs. 224
12-30	Rs. 223/4
1-30	Rs. 223/4
2-30	Settlement
4-30	Rs. 223
	Apr-May
Highest	R s. 224/4
Lowest	Rs. 222/12

LONDON EXCHANGES

London, Feb 15

T T London on:—	
New York	4.89 9/16
Paris	105.13
Berlin	12.16 1/2
Madrid	nominal 71.50
Amsterdam	8.97 1/4
Brussels	29.03
Milan	93.03
Berne	21.48
Prague	140.37

NEW YORK COFFEE

New York, Feb 15

Fair Rio Coffee (No. 7 quality) 8 7/8

GOVERNMENT SECURITIES

Bombay, Feb 16

2 3/4 per cent 1948/52	99/14
3 per cent 1951/54	101/14
3 per cent 1941 Bonds	103/12
3 1/2 per cent G P N Cash	95/8
3 1/2 per cent 1947/50 Loan	105/12
4 per cent 1943 Bonds	110
4 per cent 1960/70 Loan	113/8
4 1/2 per cent 1955/60	118/12
3 per cent U P Bonds	98
5 per cent 1938/44	107/10
5 per cent 1940/43 Loan	110/10
5 1/2 per cent 1938/40 Loan	106/2

TAX FREES

3 per cent 1945/55	120/12
4 per cent 1953/63 Loan	112
5 1/2 per cent 1938 Mysore	106
5 per cent 1955 Mysore	125

CORPORATION DEBENTURES

4 per cent B P T 1974	109/8
4 per cent M Deb 1974	109
5 per cent M Deb 1959	118/8
6 per cent M Deb 1954	130/8
6 per cent K P T 1956	130/8
6 1/2 per cent B I T 1937	102

Note:—3 1/2 per cent Government Paper opened to-day at Rs. 95/8 and after declining to Rs. 95/6 improved to Rs. 95/8.

MONEY AND EXCHANGES

Bombay, Feb 16

B. C. RATES—	
T T D D	1/6 1/16
LONDON—	
Banks selling T T D D	1/6 3/32
Banks buying T T	1/6 5/32
Banks buying D D	1/6 3/16
Banks buying 3 mos.	1/6 7/32
NEW YORK	
B C Rate T T	273 5/8
Banks selling T T	271 5/8
Banks buying T T	269 1/2
PARIS—	
Banks selling T T	788
Banks buying T T	803
JAPAN—	
Banks selling T T	77 1/2
Banks buying T T	76 3/4
AMSTERDAM—	
Banks selling D D	67 1/4
JAVA—	
Banks selling D D	66 7/8
HONGKONG—	
Banks selling D D	83 3/8
SHANGHAI	
Banks selling D D	81 3/8
SINGAPORE—	
Banks selling D D	156 1/4
BERLIN—	
Banks selling D D	90 3/4
CROSS RATE—	
New York/London 15th instant	4.89 1/2
Japan/London— 16th instant	1/2
Java/London— 16th instant	8.92 1/2
Hongkong/London— 16th instant	1/2 31/32
Shanghai/London— 16th instant	1/2 9/16
London/Paris 15th instant	105.13
London/Belgium 15th instant	29.03
London/Switzerland 15th instant	21.48
London/Berlin 15th instant	12.16 1/2
London/Stockholm 15th instant	19.39 1/2
London/New York 15th instant	4.89 9/16
London/Amsterdam 15th instant	8.97
London/Italy 15th instant	93.03
Tone of Sterling Exchange:—Quiet.	
Gold 15th instant	£7-2-1 1/2
Silver London Ready 15th instant	20 1/8
Silver London Forward 15th instant	20 1/8
Silver New York Ready 15th instant	45
London Discounts 3 months 15th instant	9/16 p.c.
London Discounts 6 months 15th instant	11/16 p.c.
Reserve Bank Rate	3 p.c.
Bank of England Rate	2 p.c.
Money:—	
Call	1 p.c.
3 Months	1 1/4 p.c.
6 Months	1 1/4 p.c.

Tone:—Steady.

Indian Sterling Loans

London, Feb 15

Call Loan London	1/2
3 per cent	79
3 1/2 per cent	93
3 1/2 per cent 1954/59	103
4 per cent 1948/53	107
4 1/2 per cent 1950/55	112 1/4
4 1/2 per cent 1958/68	116
5 per cent 1942/47	113
2 1/2 per cent British Consols	80 1/4
3 1/2 per cent Conversion	103 3/8
3 1/2 per cent War Loan	102 3/8

LONDON DISCOUNT RATE

London, Feb 15

Bank bills 3 months market rate 9/16 per cent to 9/16 per cent

Bank bills 6 months market rate 5/8 per cent to 11/16 per cent

Fine trade bills 3 months market rate 2 per cent to 2 1/2 per cent

Fine trade bills 6 months market rate 2 1/2 per cent to 3 per cent

Interest day to day loan 1/2 per cent to 1/2 per cent

Interest 7 days market loan 1/2 per cent

LONDON STOCK EXCHANGE

London, Feb 15

Rupee Paper 3 1/2 per cent	£72
Indian Stock 3 per cent 1948	£79
Indian Stock 3 1/2 per cent 1931 or later	£93
Indian Stock 4 1/2 per cent 1950/55	£112 1/4
Consols 2 1/2 per cent	£80 1/4
Conversion Loan 3 1/2 per cent 1961	£103 3/8
War Loan 3 1/2 per cent 1952	£102 3/8
Funding Loan 4 per cent 1960/90	£112 1/2
Victory Bonds 4 per cent	£111
Chartered Bank of I A and China	£16 3/8
Hongkong and Shanghai Bank London reg ex dividend	£112 1/4
National Bank of India	£47 1/4
P and O Banking Corporation	£10 1/2

LONDON RUBBER

London, Feb 15

Smoked Sheet Standard Ribbed per lb Sellers 10 9/16

Tata Steel Shares In Demand

MARKET DISPLAYS GOOD UNDERTONE

Government Securities Easy

BOMBAY, February 16.

The local Share Bazar was fairly steady to-day with improved demand.

During the early part of the session there was scattered long liquidation which was well absorbed and later on the market was decidedly cheerful with increased buying.

The undertone of the market was good and there was cessation of offerings in the cotton mill section.

In sympathy with a drop of £1 in Sterling Indian stocks, the local Government Securities market ruled easy.

Tata Steel shares were again active. Deferreds opened at Rs. 1340 and under tired long liquidation prices declined to Rs. 1326. But active buying by professional operators appeared and prices rose to Rs. 1352-8.

The steady rise in Indian steel shares together with firmness of foreign advices, the market is again picking up strength.

In view of the Budget, some Bears are spreading rumours of excise duty, but nobody cares to follow these unfounded gossips.

The market is well-liquidated and the technical state of the market is healthy. Steel famine is acute and is bound to continue for some time and we believe that short sales are dangerous and risky.

TEXTILE MILLS

Bombay, Feb. 16.

	Rs.	as
100 Ahm. Advance (Rs. 14)	305	0
250 B'bay Dyeing (Rs. 25)	865	0
100 Century	201	4
100 Central India (Rs. 4)	261	4
100 Colaba (nil)	146	4
100 Coorla	110	0
250 David	75	0
250 Dawn (Rs. 10)	370	0
1 E. D. Sassoon (nil)	0	10 3
100 Finlay (Rs. 2-8)	117	8
100 Gokak (Rs. 2-8)	206	4
1000 Hindustan (Rs. 75)	1725	0
100 Indore	48	12
100 Khatau (Rs. 2)	90	0
100 Kohinoor (Rs. 8)	279	6
250 Laxmi (Rs. 12-8)	647	8
250 Madras United	11	0
1,000 Morarji (nil)	960	0
250 Model	52	8
50 Mysore (Rs. 3)	111	4
200 New Great (nil)	171	4
100 Oosmanshahi (Re. 1)	50	0
100 Phoenix (10)	318	12
25 Sassoon Silk (Rs. 2)	62	8
1,000 Sholapur (Rs. 50)	2300	0
50 Simplex (Re. 1-2)	80	10
100 Swadeshi (Rs. 4)	231	14
100 Swan (nil)	85	0
500 Vishnu (Rs. 50)	1325	0
1000 Western	805	0
BANKS.		
50-100 Baroda (Rs. 2-8)	117	8
25-50 Central (As. 12)	34	14
500 Imperial (Rs. 30)	1,520	0
125-500 I. Conty (Rs 7-8)	372	8
50-100 India (Rs. 2-8)	140	12
100 Reserve Bank (Rs 3-3-4)	XD. 133	0
5 Union (As. 4)	5	9 0
CEMENTS.		
10 Bundi (As. 10)	40	0
100 Coimbatore	199	6
70 Gwalior (Rs 5)	137	8
160 Indian (Rs. 24)	533	12
40 Katni Def. (Rs 83-8-9)	2,343	12
100 Katni ord. (Rs. 10)	386	4
75 Okha (Rs. 7)	306	0
10 Punjab (As. 12)	29	14
100 Shahabad (Rs. 13-8)	508	12
70 United (Rs. 2-8)	163	0
INSURANCE		
80-500 Empire (Rs. 14)	1012	8
15-100 Jupiter (As. 12) XD	15	12
15-75 New India (Re. 1-4).	44	4
20 Mercantile	46	0
200 Oriental (125)	5 325	0
10-50 Vulcan (As. 8)	7	14
ELECTRIC.		
100 Ahmedabad Old (6)	185	0
1000 Andhra Valley (45)	1705	0
10 Ajmer (As 4)	14	0
50 B'bay Tram (Rs. 3-8)	151	14
100 Bom Suburban (Rs. 6)	190	0
10 Broach	14	0
100 Karachi (4)	267	8
100 Poona (4)	270	0
100 Surat (Rs. 8)	208	2
100 Tata Hydro (Rs. 5.)	185	5
1000 Tata Power (Rs. 40).	1516	4
RAILWAYS		
500 Ahmedabad Prantij	922	8
100 C. Province	97	8
100 Dhond Baramati	102	0
100 Gujarat	94	8
100 Mandra Bhon	102	0
100 Pachora Jamner	97	8

ACTIVE SHARES AT A GLANCE

Bombay, Feb 16

Century (201/14) 196 195 198 193 200 201

Bombay Dyeing (856/4) 852 850 853 854 860 857 866 865

Kohinoor (281/4) 277 276 278 279

Central India (262/8) 260 257 261

New Great (170) 168 171

Simplex (80) 80 81 79 80

Swadeshi (232/8) 229 228 230 231

Bundi (40/2) 40/4 40/2 40

I Cement (533/12) 531 535 528 532 533

Punjab (30) 30 29/14

Shahabad (508/12) 508 510 506 508

Andhra (1715) 1710 1702 1707 1705

Tata Hydro (185/15) 185

Tata Power (1517/8) 1515 1510 1512 1507 1516 1513 1520 1516 1520 1517 1516

Tram Ord (152/13) 152

T Steel Defd (1327/8) 1340 1330 1340 1320 1332 1327 1345 1352 1351

T Steel Ord (290/8) 294 289 292 291 294/8 294 293/8

Tata Steel 2nd pref (179/4) 179 180 179/8 180

Bellapur (173/2) 173 172 174 175

B Steam (283/2) 283

B Burma (640) 635 633 636 630 636 635 638

100 Sara Sirajgunje	102	0
500 Tapti Valley (17-8)	776	4
MININGS.		
10 Shivrajpur (As. 8)	44	12
30 Tata Steel Def. (Rs. 7-8)	1351	4
75 Tata Steel Ord. (Rs. 6)	293	8
MISCELLANEOUS		
100 Alcock (Rs. 5)	271	4
50 Belapur Sugar (Rs. 7)	175	0
200 B'bay Safe Dep. (Rs. 40)	900	0
250 B'bay Steam (Rs. 13)	233	2
125 B'bay Burma (Rs. 12-8)	638	12
50 Do. Contry (Rs. 5)	212	8
8sh. Br. B. Petrol (nil)	6	6
50 B'bay Telephone (2-8)	115	12
9 Burma Corp. (As. 8)	X.D. 11	8
2sh. Indian Copper	4	1
100 I. Bleaching (Rs. 4)	145	0
50 I. Invest. Trust (Rs. 2)	55	0
100 I. Radio Defd. (12)	550	0
100 I Radio Ord (15)	525	0
1000 Port Canning (Rs. 25)	622	8
15 Scindia (Re. 1)	21	10
30 Premier Const. (Rs. 1-1)	97	0
25 Tata Oil (nil)	21	10
PREFERENCE.		
7 p.c. Andhra Valley	1565	0
6 p.c. Bombay Steam	303	2
7 p.c. Bom Trams (T.F.)	88	8
5 p.c. Central India (T.F.)	537	8
7 p.c. Katni 1st	136	4
7 p.c. Katni 2nd. (T.F.)	146	4
7-1/2 p.c. Punjab Cement	13	10
6¼ p.c. Prem Const. 1st	106XD	
6 1/4 p.c. Prem. Const. 2nd.	101	0
7 p.c. Tata Hydro	160	10
7½ p.c. Tata Power	1595	0
6 p.c. Tata Steel 1st	200	0
7 1/2 p.c. Tata Steel 2nd	180	0
7 p.c. Vishnu	692	8
DEBENTURES		
3-3/4 p.c. Andhra Valley	102	12
6 p.c. Andhra Valley	111	0
4 p.c. Bom. Telephone	51	4
7 p.c. Sholapur	85	4
6 p.c. Tata Hydro	110	12

(Last Dividend in Brackets)

TENDERS FOR STERLING

On Tuesday, the 16th February 1937, tenders to the amount of £86,700,000 at 1s. 6 1/8d. were received and allotted approximately 2 per cent.

£2,000,000 will be offered for tender on Wednesday, the 24th February 1937, on the same conditions as previously announced.

The amount of Intermediates purchased by the Reserve Bank of India during the week ended 12th February 1937 was £130,000.

Tenders For Treasury Bills

Tenders for Rs. One Crore of three months' Treasury Bills were opened on Tuesday, the 16th February 1937. Total amount offered was Rs. 1,31,25,000. Tenders at Rs. 99-12-3 were accepted in full and those at Rs. 99-12-0 allotted approximately 84 per cent. Lower tenders were rejected. Total amount accepted was Rs. 1,00,00,000, the average rate of accepted tender being Re. 1-0-0 per cent per annum.

Tenders for Re. One Crore of three months' Treasury Bills will be received on Wednesday, the 24th Feb. 1937. Successful tenderers should make payment on Friday, the 26th February 1937. Other conditions are as usual.

During the week ended the 12th February 1937, Treasury Bills for Rs. 1,76,25,000 were renewed in favour of the Issue Department of the Reserve Bank of India.

WALL-STREET MARKET

New York, Feb. 15.

Messrs. Batlivala and Karani have issued the following report showing quotations of the New York Stock Exchange:—

	Dol.
Amr. Water Works Com.	26
Ame. Power and Light Pfd. 5 p.c.	65
Ame. Forn. Power Pfd. 7 p.c.	62
Electric Power and Light	22
Electric Bond Common	24
United Corpn.	7
Int. Tel. and Tel.	15
American Tel. and Tel.	181 1/2
Western Union Telg.	76 1/2
Chesapeake and Ohio Rly.	65
Erie Rly.	16
Great North Pfd. Rly.	48
New York Central Rly.	43 1/2
Southern Pacific Rly.	48
Dupont	174
N.Y.N. Hartford H.R.R.	24
Brazilians Traction	25
Bethelehem Steel	58
Republican Steel	36
United States Steel	106 1/2
Anaconda Copper Mining	55 1/4
Int. Nickel of Canada	64
General Motors	68 5/8

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Railway Budget Surprises

Small Surplus Of 15 Lakhs

4 Crores Rly. Deficit In 1935-36

Works Programme To Cost 8-1/2 Crores

Sir M. Zafrullah Khan Surveys Working Of Indian Railways

NEW DELHI: Feb. 16.

Sir Muhammad Zafrullah Khan, Railway Member and Sir Guthrie Russell, Chief Commissioner for Railways, presented the Railway Budget to-day in the Legislative Assembly and the Council of State respectively.

They explained that for the first time since 1929-30 Railway Estimates forecast surpluses instead of deficits. In each of the years 1936-37 and 1937-38 it is now expected that there will be a small surplus of 15 lakhs. The budget estimates of the net financial result of railway working in 1936-37 was deficit of 3.54 crores.

The present estimate indicates improvement of 3.59 crores, but the change in allocation brought into effect from the current year has reduced the net revenues of the Railways by 36 lakhs and the real improvement as compared with last year is nearly four crores.

Budget Summary

The following is a summary of the features of the Budget:

1935-36 closed with a deficit of 4 crores for exately half of which the strategic lines are responsible.

For the current year a small surplus of 15 lakhs is anticipated.

Gross Traffic Receipts are 95 crores, 4 1/2 crores more than last year.

Passenger receipts are 18 lakhs less than last year and 60 lakhs below the budget estimates.

Total net revenue is expected to be 31 crores—3 1/2 crores better than last year.

Commercial lines are expected to show a surplus of over 2 crores; strategic lines a loss of 1.89 crores.

Goods Traffic is expected to improve by over 4 crores compared with last year and 4 1/4 crores above Budget Estimate.

Ordinary working expenses are 62 lakhs more than last year.

The following are the chief figures of the Budget estimate for 1937-38:—

GROSS TRAFFIC RECEIPTS	90 3/4	Crores
WORKING EXPENSES	61 1/2	"
NET REVENUE	29 1/2	"
INTEREST CHARGES	29 1/3	"
SURPLUS	15	Lakhs.

Sir Muhammad Zafrullah Khan in the course of his speech said:—

"I rise to present to the House the Railway Budget for 1937-38. Hon'ble Members are without detaining the House over any preliminary remarks, I shall proceed to place before the House the revised estimates for the current year and the budget estimates for the next year with a brief reference to the financial results of 1935-36. The budget estimates for that year allowed for a deficit of under 2 crores, practically all in respect of strategic lines. From about the middle of February 1935, however, railway receipts began to exhibit a downward tendency as compared with the earnings of the previous year and this tendency persisted almost unchecked till the presentation of last year's budget. The revised estimates presented by me last February put the deficit at just over 4½ crores. The actual result at the close of the year was slightly better; we closed with a deficit of 4 crores, of which 2 crores was attributable to strategic lines.

Change In System

A change in the system of allocation has complicated the task of comparing the current year's results with last year's, and it would, perhaps, be desirable to explain briefly how the estimates of the two years have been affected by this change. The object of the change is to reduce over-capitalisation and to put our allocation of expenditure on works on a sounder and more logical basis. It is somewhat difficult to set out briefly in non-technical language the exact nature of the change. The change consists mainly in providing that capital should generally be charged only with that part of the cost of an asset renewed which represents a definite improvement, that all renewals and replacements should be charged to the Depreciation Fund (including renewals of non-wasting assets which had hitherto been treated as part of working expenses) and that all sums received from the disposal of assets replaced should be credited to the Depreciation Fund.

It is expected that, in a normal year, the ultimate result of these changes as compared with the previous rules should be a reduction of capital expenditure by 1½ crores per annum, an increase in the Depreciation Fund expenditure of about 1¼ crores per annum and a reduction in the net revenue of about ¼ crore. For 1936-37, it is expected that the result will be a reduction in capital of 3/4 crore, a net increase of about 39 lakhs in expenditure charged to the Depreciation Fund and a reduction in the net railway revenue of the year of about 36 lakhs. The result for 1937-38 is expected to be very similar. In comparing the figures for 1936-37 and 1937-38 with those of earlier years we would, as a result of these changes, be understating, to an appreciable extent, the actual improvement in our position.

CHEERFUL ACCOUNT.

With this brief explanation, I shall proceed to give the House our present anticipations of the results of the current year, and here I am glad that I have a more cheerful account to place before the House than I was able to last year. As I have already stated, our actual deficit last year was 4 crores. When I presented the budget for the current year, I anticipated a similar result this year and put the deficit at 3¼ crores.

Almost immediately after the presentation of the budget our earnings began to improve, and the improvement tended to become steadier and more marked as the year advanced, so that, I think, we would be justified in taking a less gloomy view of the situation than the one that presented itself to us this time last year. The result of the current year's working is now expected to be a small surplus of 15 lakhs. If the change in the system of accounting to which I have referred had not been introduced the surplus would have been over half a crore.

Increased Income

Our gross traffic receipts are now estimated at 95 crores, 4-1/3 crores more than last year's figures. The corresponding increase in the working expenses is comparatively slight and we expect our total net revenue to be 31 crores. This is 3½ crores better than last year, or nearly 4 crores better, assuming the change in allocation to which I have referred had not been made. Commercial lines by themselves are expected to show at the end of the year a surplus of just over 2 crores. The loss on strategic lines will be 1.89 crores. The re-

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sult of the year's working will, after meeting our interest charges in full, leave a surplus of 15 lakhs which will be utilised for repaying in part the amount borrowed in previous years from the Depreciation Fund.

The actual balance in the Depreciation Fund will, at the end of the year, stand at about 15½ crores. Our total borrowings from the Fund will be reduced to 31-1/3 crores; but for these borrowings the actual balance in the Depreciation Fund would have amounted to nearly 47 crores. Of this about 1-2/3 crores represents accumulations in respect of the Burma Railways and will be handed over to Burma on the 1st April next on its separation from India.

Passengers Decrease

Though our present estimates of traffic receipts in the current year are 4-1/3 crores above the receipts of the last year, receipts in respect of passenger traffic are disappointing and our revised estimate of these receipts is 18 lakhs less than the earnings of

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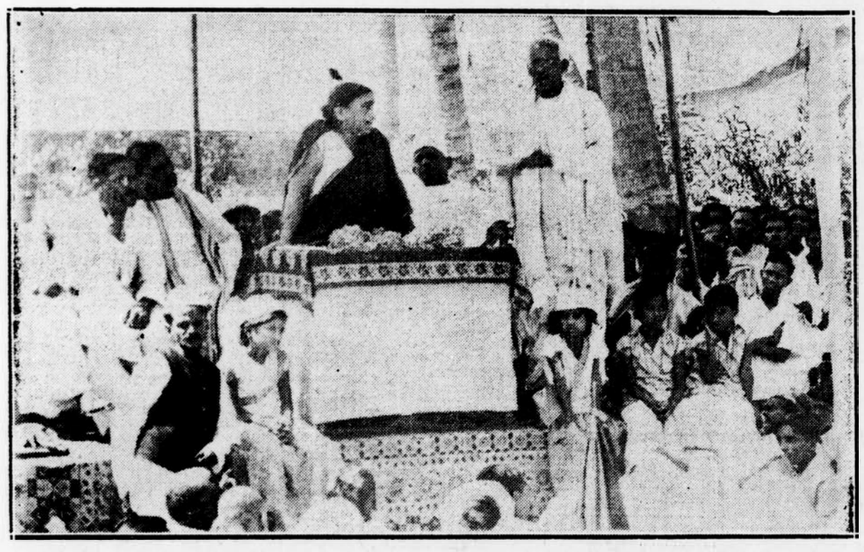

Smirati Sarojini Devi addressing an election meeting at Masulipatam, and Dr. Pattabhi Sitaramayya translating the same into Telugu.

NO GROUND FOR EXCESSIVE OPTIMISM

Railways Are Not Yet Out Of Wood, Says Russell

NEW DELHI: Feb. 16.

Sir Guthrie Russell, the Chief Commissioner of Railways, in presenting the Railway Budget for 1937-38 in Council of State said:

Although judged by goods earnings, the economic condition of the country is considerably better this year than it was last year, I regret that I have to record a probable fall in passenger traffic receipts. The revised estimate of these receipts have been put at 27.90 crores, 60 lakhs less than the estimate and 18 lakhs less than last year. Both goods and passenger earnings, as the members of this Honourable House are well aware, started falling from 1929-30. The fall was of course due to the world economic depression. Goods earnings have been improving for several years in fact from 1932-33 but passenger earnings have so far shown no real sign of recovery.

TWO NEW LINES IN SIND.

As regards expenditure not charged to revenue we are providing 30 lakhs for the construction of two new lines in Sind. These are the Sind Right Bank Feeders Line from Larkana to Jacobabad and a line from Pithoro to Tando Mitha Khan. These lines have been rendered necessary by the increase in cultivation brought about by the Lloyd Barrage. We propose to purchase 2,000 wagons, which are rendered necessary by the increase in traffic. The total programme is estimated to cost 11 crores but we consider it unlikely that more than 80 per cent. of this sum will actually be spent in the year.

RAIL ROAD COMPETITION.

Until now rail-road competition has been mostly confined to passenger traffic but there are signs that lorries are gaining a greater and greater share of the goods traffic. And we must remember the possibilities of the Diesel Engine. I am amazed sometimes at the complacency with which the problem is regarded. I have even heard it said that, if the roads succeed in taking traffic from the railways, the tax-payer need not worry as what he loses on the swings he more than gains on the roundabouts.

Before sitting down, Sir, I am sure that Hon'ble Members will join with me in congratulating our Financial Commissioner, Sir Raghavendra Rau on his well-earned distinction. Sir Raghavendra has now worked with me as Financial Commissioner for five years. These have been five very trying years. He has always given of his best.

Congress' Fight On Many Fronts

Rid Yourself Of Burden Of Imperialist Oppression

Elections Only A Test Of Congressmen's Strength, Says Jawaharlal

POONA, February 16.

The Congress election campaign reached its apex last night when Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru addressed a meeting of about fifty-thousand persons here, when over 200 institutions joined in according him a welcome. Mr. Shankerrao Deo presided.

Pandit Nehru, speaking in Hindi for a hundred minutes, painted in colourful language a vivid contrast between the greatness of the ancient Indian civilisation and the appalling poverty and misery of to-day.

He said that the burden of the last 150 years' imperialist domination out-weighed that of the past centuries. The burden of imperialism had become so oppressive that they must be rid of it. The Congress was the organisation that was fighting imperialism on many fronts.

Lone Fight

He characterised those who wanted to fight the elections independently, without joining the Congress, as soldiers who, not liking the tactics and strategy of the high command, wanted to leave the field of battle and fight lone fights.

Concluding, the Pandit asked them to remember that the elections might be over but not the fight for Swaraj. The great task of attaining Swaraj was not yet accomplished. The elections were only a test of their strength, and determination.

Exhorting Maharashtra to vote for the Congress, he said that if the Maharashtra wanted to retain her reputation of an advanced province, she must outdo Bihar in making the Congress a success at the elections.

Pandit Nehru left for Ahmednagar after the meeting which concluded at midnight.—A.P.

DELHI CONGRESS EX-SECRETARY'S HOUSE SEARCHED

NEW DELHI, February 16.

Several house searches were conducted by the Special Branch Police in Delhi this morning in connection with an alleged bomb explosion in Sonepet last Sunday.

The Police searched the house of Mr. Vidyaratna, ex-Secretary and a Member of the Delhi Provincial Congress Committee, for about five hours, but nothing incriminating is reported to have been found. Police, however, took away one note-book.—United Press.

Rs. 1,000 PER MONTH

Bengal Proja Party's Move To Fix Ministers' Salary At This Figure

CALCUTTA, Feb. 16.

Drastic economies in the cost of administration by fixing Rs. 1,000 as salary of Ministers and making progressive cuts in all high grades of pay, form a principal item in the programme suggested by the Executive Committee of the Bengal Proja (Tenants) Party led by Mr. Fazlul Huq, for being given effect to by the Coalition Muslim Group in the Bengal Assembly, which is likely to occupy a predominant position in the Bengal Cabinet under the new Constitution.

Considerable importance attaches to this suggestion emanating from the Executive of the Bengal Tenants Party in view of the fact that Mr. Fazlul Huq, President of this Party, has been accepted as the Leader by the Coalition Muslim Group and as such he is likely to be the Chief Minister in the Cabinet.—United Press.

PROJA PARTY-MUSLIM LEAGUE COALITION FOR WORKING CONSTITUTION

CALCUTTA, Feb. 16.

The Executive Committee of the Nikhil Banga Proja Party at a meeting last night endorsed the agreement reached between the leaders of the Muslim League and the Proja Party for the purpose of working the new constitution.

Krishak Proja Assembly Party was formed at a meeting of the newly elected members of the Proja Party last night with Mr. A. K. Fazlul Huq as its leader. —A. P.

A Jhansi message states that Krishna Gopal Sharma, President of the Lalitpur Congress Committee, and editor of the "Bundelkhand Kesri", a Hindi journal, was fined Rs. 500 (in default, six months' imprisonment), for writing a defamatory article.

EDGAR WALLACE'S DETECTIVE STORY DAY BY DAY

"The Green Ribbon"

Inspector Wade—
WITH DONAVAN A PRISONER THE GREEN RIBBON HOLD A MEETING
WHAT ARE WE GONNA DO WITH HIM, GOODIE?
HE'S ALL RIGHT WHERE HE IS, TRIGGER!
LISTEN, GOODIE--MAYBE HE'S WISE! SUPPOSE HE GETS AWAY? WHY NOT GET RID OF HIM FOR GOOD!
THAT FINGER OF YOURS IS ITCHIN' AGAIN, TRIGGER!
WHAT'S THE MATTER, GOODIE--- YELLOW?
LISTEN, TRIGGER--- I'M TH' BOSS, SEE? I TELL YOU WHAT TO DO!--- I'LL TAKE CARE OF DONAVAN--- MYSELF!
IT'S NO USE--I CAN'T BREAK OUT OF--WHAT TH' BLUE BLAZES, MAYBE THERE IS A WAY!
LYMAN ANDERSON
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